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Reversal Of British-Sponsored Policy Urged

U. S. Delegate To IRO Demands It Help Transport DPs To Israel

ROME—The United States led a strong fight this week at a meeting of the executive committee of the International Refugee Organization to persuade the IRO to help finance the emigration of European Jews to Israel.

That burden now is largely carried by the United Jewish Appeal and a victory for the United States position would substantially lighten the financial burden on U. S. Jews.

The British delegation had argued that the IRO should stick to its policy, announced last May 18, of taking no part in the flow of European refugees to the countries in the middle east involved in the Palestine war.

Since the only significant movement of that kind is that of Jewish DPs, the IRO stand was generally regarded as another victory for the British in their fight against the Jewish State.

Warren rejected British arguments that movements of Jews to Palestine made it impossible to repatriate Arab DPs. He said nearly all of the Jewish DPs were resettled on new farm settlements not previously occupied by Arabs.

He said the European Jewish DPs were definitely eligible for immigration to Israel under the IRO's constitution and that the IRO position amounted to discrimination against them.

Catholic Convert Joins Attacks On Beigen; Pickets In Philadelphia

A noted Catholic convert in Boston added his voice this week to the chorus of condemnation which has marked the goodwill tour of the U.S. by Irgun commander Menachim Beigen.

"We regret that congressmen, mayors and some other Catholics of political prominence, joined with a hundred rabbis, and others in welcoming Beigen, commander-in-chief of the murderous Irgun Zvai Leumi," Dr. David Goldstein declared.

Writing in his weekly column in the PILOT, official organ of the archdiocese of Boston, Dr. Goldstein said that "either ignorance of the character of Beigen and his political objective, or desire to win the voting favor of pro-Israelians in our country, caused them to disregard the recent appeal of our Holy Father, Pope Pius XII, for the internationalizing of Jerusalem."

Beigen took time out in a brief stop at the offices of the Hebrew Committee for National Liberation in Washington to criticize Prof. Albert Einstein and many other noted U. S. figures, Jewish and non-Jewish, who have called him a fascist. Beigen said his "Freedom Movement" is anti-fascist.

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency quoted Beigen as saying that "I daresay I understand more in mathematics than the old venerated professor understands in politics," in comment on Einstein's charge.

The only pickets reported so far on the goodwill tour paraded at a public rally for Beigen in Philadelphia last week. Beigen attended a dinner in Philadelphia last week which was

without incident. When he returned three days later for a mass meeting, he was met by pickets carrying signs calling him a fascist and signed "Haganah."

Albert Liss, director of the Philadelphia chapter of the American League for a Free Palestine, said a crowd of 3,000 passed the pickets. The League, chief U. S. Bergson front for the now-disbanded Irgun, handled all details of Beigen's visits to Philadelphia.

Don't Miss Them!

The National Jewish Post presents two special features this week.

U. S. Jewish defense groups first embraced then spurned Carey McWilliams' book on Anti-Semitism. The Post presents an exclusive interview with the famous liberal, giving his reaction.

The text of the proposed constitution of the new Jewish State was made public this week. The Post has prepared a comprehensive report, with liberal quotations from the text.

You'll find them both on the inside. Don't miss these two vital reports.

RABBI ASKS CONGREGATION TO ATTEND SERVICES BEFORE NEW YEAR'S EVE FUN

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.—Rabbi Israel Chodos of Emanuel Synagogue here told his congregation this week that he would have no objections if they came to services New Year's Eve dressed for celebration after the services.

In a note in the current synagogue News, Rabbi Chodos said he felt it would be a "test of the loyalty and devotion of our members if they will include in their plans for the celebration of the New Year's Evening their attendance at the Synagogue promptly at 8:15 p. m."

He said that before the revelry which attends New Year's Eve, "it would be more than proper for our good people to attend the Synagogue for an hour of Jewish inspiration."

Communities To Get Larger Voice In United Jewish Appeal Programs

NEW YORK—The top structure of the United Jewish Appeal will be modified to include community representation as the result of open negotiations here last Friday at a board meeting of the National Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds and representatives of the 30 largest Jewish communities.

The report followed reliable information that the quota-setting meet of the UJA, originally scheduled for Atlantic City Dec. 11 and indefinitely postponed, may be combined with the 1949 General Assembly of the CJFWE, set for Philadelphia Jan. 14-17.

There was strong sentiment at the Friday meeting for such a combined meeting and the possibility was understood to depend largely on the availability of facilities for two such major gatherings simultaneously.

Wartime Promises Not Implemented

BRITISH VETS FAIL TO SEEK

ROLE IN COMMUNAL LIFE—BRODIE

LONDON—Jewish war veterans have not carried out wartime promises to seek a more positive role in Jewish communal life in England, Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie of Great Britain said last week.

Rabbi Brodie told a meeting of the Association of Jewish Ex-Servicemen and Women that during the war he had talked with Jews in all branches of service. He said that he had been particularly impressed by their charges against Jewish communities, which they complained had neglected them.

The chief rabbi said that many servicemen had told him that they planned to make a fight to "get rid of the vested interests in communal life—those fellow who dug themselves in the Parnass Box."

Rabbi Brodie said he also had been told that many of them wanted a considerable improvement in decorum at synagogue services and that their children should have a really good Jewish education.

Need To Broaden

Examining the postwar record, Rabbi Brodie said that the Ex-Servicemen's Association was committed not to a postwar communal activity but to Jewish civic defense.

He said the record of the veterans in that respect was excellent but that in the more positive respects, little had been done. He said that Jewish veterans also must do their part spiritually and culturally in the Jewish community and said the older members of those communities also had the responsibility of giving Jewish veterans a chance to be active in communal affairs.

UJA Negotiator



MOSES A. LEAVITT
Bigger Voices For Communities

Bigot Kamp Sentence Upheld By Court

WASHINGTON—The Federal circuit court of appeals this week upheld the contempt of Congress conviction of Joseph P. Kamp of New York, a minor leader of U. S. hate-peddlers.

He refused in October, 1944, to give a House campaign expenditures committee lists of contributors to the Constitutional Educational League, of which he is executive vice president.

Kamp was convicted last March and sentenced to a four-month jail term.

He drew his attention to an article in the newspaper "Republica," threatening Jews with pogroms.

Bolivia President Seeks Halt Hate Drive

LA PAZ, Bolivia—(JTA)—President Dr. Enriquez Hertzog of Bolivia gave assurances that measures will be taken to check a campaign of anti-Jewish propaganda in Bolivia which is being conducted through leaflets and in the press. The assurance was given to Dr. Henry Shoskes, representative of HIAS, who was received by the President and

Five Youths Cleared In N. Y. Arms Case; Judge Halts Defense Attorney's Comment On U.S. Israel Policy.

NEW YORK—Charges against five youths in arms-handling case were dismissed last week by Magistrate Vernon C. Riddick who halted a reference by the defense attorney to U. S. State Department policy toward Israel.

The five had been arrested on charges of violating the Sullivan law when they were caught in the act of loading two crates of arms and ammunition on a truck the night of Nov. 24.

They said, at the time of their arrest, that they were "interested" in Israel but denied knowing that the crates contained contraband or that they were destined for Israel.

Paul O'Dwyer, the defense attorney, moved for dismissal of the charges. He said the Sulli-

van law was meant "to prevent gangsters from obtaining arms and ammunition" and not "to prevent people from defending their homes and hillsides."

Warming up, O'Dwyer started to say "If there is any conspiracy at all, that conspiracy exists with the State Department and . . ."

Magistrate Riddick broke in to say "Motion dismissed." O'Dwyer later told newsmen he meant to refer to the arms embargo against Israel.

The five defendants were Bertram Koppelman, 22, Bound Brook, N. J.; Michael F. Dermier, 21, New Brunswick, N. J.; Ralph Gelbard, 25, Bound Brook; Ephraim Gelbard, 22, and George L. Studley, 18, New York.

Leavitt And Weisman
Agreement on community representation on the UPA was reached through Moses A. Leavitt, representing the Joint Distribution Committee, and Herman L. Weisman, representing the United Palestine Appeal. The JDC and the UPA are two of the major agencies of the United Jewish Appeal.

Leavitt and Weisman agreed to community representation in administration, quota-setting and fund-raising. The bid for community representation in determining the percentage of division of UJA money was politely but firmly rejected.

Until now, a sort of loose agreement gave the CJFWE a number of places on the UJA executive, presumably one-third. However, this arrangement did not seem to be effective.

Spread Authority

One major field in which the local communities now will have something to say is the issue of deciding which national Jewish agencies will be included in the national UJA.

From one year to the next in the loose and complicated fund-raising field, there has been no efficient program for dealing with the numerous national drives which are pushed in addition to the UJA campaign.

The negotiations at the Friday meeting may lead to a definite program for dealing with this problem, it was understood.

Coming In Bunches

HAIFA, (JTA)—A total of 5,600 Jewish immigrants arrived here this week. At the same time two Israeli freighters laden with citrus products left here for Sweden, England and Norway with a combined cargo of 130,000 cases of oranges and other fruits.

Miami Beach Temple Charged With Being Noisy In Suit By Jew To Force Halt In Services

MIAMI, Fla.—One of the first lawsuits in U. S. history by a Jew to compel a Jewish house of worship to stop services was on file in U. S. district court here, the Jewish FLORIDIAN reported last week.

Officials of Temple Isaiah were served with a summons and complaint for temporary and permanent injunction by the Wags Transportation System, Inc., a New York corporation headed by Dan Arnstein.

According to the weekly, the suit charged that "large crowds" which "gather as a congregation" cause "noise and great traffic congestion of hundreds of automobiles" which dis-

turb Arnstein.

The Temple was organized last June as the only reform congregation on Miami Beach and began holding services June 11.

Arnstein lives in the residence directly south of the premises used by the congregation, of which Rabbi David Raab is spiritual leader.

Both Harold Shapiro, president of the congregation, and Rabbi Raab denied the charges of noise and disorder.

"It is our intention to resist this injunction with all our might and we hope to enlist the support of the entire community, both Jewish and gentile," Shapiro said.

New York

ZOA MUST SOON COLLAPSE WITHOUT EFFECTIVE PROGRAM

By M. Z. FRANK

FOR some months now the American Zionist leadership—the Silver-Neumann regime—has been living on its old reserves and on borrowed time. It built up a great reserve of public goodwill, prestige and power through its splendid achievements on the political field, hastening the establishment of the State of Israel, and through its dynamic organization. It has borrowed time from the tactical and organizational ineptitude of its opponents. In this, the Opposition in the Zionist movement has been most obliging: Only recently it handed over a victory to Silver and Neumann which has given their regime a new lease of life. The question is now, will the Zionist Administration utilize the time it gained to build up real strength for constructive purposes or will it continue to revel in its shadow, mechanical strength, thereby merely postponing the oncoming disintegration of the great movement which gave birth to the State of Israel?



THE ZIONIST MOVEMENT WILL surely disintegrate unless it evolves a workable comprehensive program of activity for the new situation which has arisen with the establishment of the State. It will have to be a program on which both the Government of Israel and the majority of Zionists in the Diaspora can agree. So far no group which is directly interested in the matter has come out with such a program.

The Government of Israel has no program for the Diaspora, except that it knows it needs help and that it knows it wants no interference in internal matters. The Silver-Neumann regime has no program, unless you call Neumann's speech at the ZOA Convention a program, which it is not.

The Opposition in the ZOA has no program, except that it wants to wrest the power from Silver and Neumann, which the latter are determined not to yield. The Labor Zionists have no program, except that they want Ben-Gurion and the Mapai party to go on forever. The Hadassah is in the most fortunate position, since it has finally come back to a period in which concrete projects count for more than political formulas.

Relatively speaking, the Labor Zionists are also in a fortunate position, because they can go on building up support for the Histadrut in Israel, what with the new prestige of Ben-Gurion and his party. But there was a time when the small group of Poale Zion in America acted as a matrix in American Zionism and American Jewry initiating thinking and projects which were later adopted by other, larger groups. Today the leaders of the Labor Zionists in this country are busy soaring in the clouds, arguing with their dead opponents of 30 years ago and reveling in their accomplishments. They are not making any contribution to the solution of present-day problems.

THE ZOA, UNDER SILVER AND NEUMANN has, in less than four years, gone through the rise and is now rushing towards the decline that it took the Labor Zionists 30 years to make.

On the record, the ZOA of today has much to show in political achievement, but mighty little in constructive work and institutions in Israel. And today it is solid building in Israel that counts more than political activity.

The center of Zionist militancy has now shifted from Madison Square Garden to the battlefields of the Negev, from the lobbies in Washington (which are still necessary but not as important) to the Foreign Office at Hakiryah (The Capital in Tel-Aviv).

Today the main business of American Jewry is to build, build, build. Not to preach capitalism, but to mobilize private capital. Not to deal in political machinations, but to send machinery to Israel.

What is needed today is an organization that can channelize this building with the maximum amount of democratic spirit. Whichever group in American Zionism—or in American Jewry for that matter—emerges with a workable program for building Israel, will capture the field.

INSO FAR AS THE OPPOSITION GROUP within the ZOA was engaged in constructive work, it was gaining strength. But each time they launched upon an attempt to beat the Administration in political tactics (in which they are terrible shlemiels), they got a beating. The wild, intemperate and irresponsible accusations leveled by Henry Montor against the ZOA Administration, and the whole stupid clumsy and vicious manner in which the Montor bomb was launched, cost the State of Israel millions of dollars and did very little to advance the legitimate cause to which the Opposition is supposedly committed.

What the legitimate cause of the Opposition is, is something the Opposition itself has at best been able to stammer out sometimes, but not too articulate. Even the well-written editorials in the well-edited "Haganah Speaks" have shown no sign of being able to grapple with the fundamental problems confronting the Zionist movement today.

The Zionist Movement is going through a period of transition, without any intelligent guidance. In the absence of a guidance, it is groping in the dark through a succession of ugly upheavals such as the Montor incident. One has to be an optimist to expect that we have heard the last of it, or that there will be no more such upheavals.

The Nazi Way To Beat the Rap

VIENNA—(WNS)—Seven Nazi guards, including a doctor who dence "that there was insufficient evidence, without any intelligent guidance. In the absence of a guidance, it is groping in the dark through a succession of ugly upheavals such as the Montor incident. One has to be an optimist to expect that we have heard the last of it, or that there will be no more such upheavals.

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The prosecution contention "that there was insufficient evidence, without any intelligent guidance. In the absence of a guidance, it is groping in the dark through a succession of ugly upheavals such as the Montor incident. One has to be an optimist to expect that we have heard the last of it, or that there will be no more such upheavals.

OAKLAND FEDERATION RAPS INDEPENDENT HISTADRUT DRIVE

OAKLAND, Calif.—The Oakland Jewish Welfare Federation this week denounced the Oakland Histadrut organization for rejecting an allocation from the Federation and for launching an independent fund-raising drive.

"The Histadrut has rejected our 1948 allocation of \$3,500 and has announced it will conduct a separate campaign to raise its own agency."

Charging that the action was "an attack upon the integrity of your Federation and its Welfare Fund drive," the Federation asked Jews of Alameda and Contra Costa counties not to give funds to "this unauthorized appeal."

"It refuses to submit itself to the same kind of community discipline the federation gets from the 37 other national Jewish causes our welfare funds support," the Federation charged.

The Federation said that it offered the Histadrut group \$3,500, the same amount it received last year, but that the Histadrut asked for \$11,123.

"We could not give Histadrut more than last year," the Federation said. "None of the large national Jewish agencies got increases this year because to grant them would be at the expense of the United Jewish Appeal, our major beneficiary 50th year."

Hospital Notes 50 Years

DENVER—Officials of the National Jewish hospital at Denver reported this week that the United Nations World Health Organization is sending Dr. Frank A. Calderone, its director of American services, to be principal speaker at ceremonies in connection with the start of the hospital's 50th year.

Israeli Scholarships From Joe Louis School

CHICAGO (NJP)—Joe Louis, heavyweight boxing champion of the world, announced this week that scholarships to his new trade school would be awarded to residents of Israel.

The Chicago School of Automotive Trades was opened by Louis "to see that a lot of boys learn to earn money with their hands." The school started with 10 instructors and 50 students.

New Bid To Stop Mosley Doesn't Work

LONDON—(JTA)—Sixty demonstrators barricaded themselves in a London county schoolhouse in the East End this week in an effort to prevent Sir Oswald Mosley, chief of the fascist and anti-Semitic British Union movement, from delivering a speech. Hundreds of other demonstrators paraded outside in the street.

Police reinforcements were called up and after an hour's struggle, succeeded in ejecting the demonstrators. Several persons were injured in the sharp scuffling.

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McWilliams Challenges Jewish Foes Of "Mask For Privilege"

AUTHOR SAYS HE'S BAFFLED BY TREATMENT GIVEN HIS BOOK

By BEN GALLOP

INDIANAPOLIS (NJP)—Author Carey McWilliams struck back this week at Jewish charges that his book on race hatred, "A Mask for Privilege," advocated a Communist solution for anti-Semitism and said the accusation was ridiculous.

McWilliams' exclusive statement to The National Jewish Post

was his first public comment on the furore in Jewish life created by his much-publicized book.

The famous author and lecturer said he was "amazed" at the treatment given his book by Jewish defense organizations and commented grimly:

"My advice to anyone planning a book about discrimination is: Don't write about anti-Semitism."

The treatment to which he referred began last January when Dr. John Slawson, executive vice president of the American Jewish Committee, spoke approvingly of the book at the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in Chicago.

Strictly Independent

McWilliams told The Post that he was naturally pleased at Dr. Slawson's approving attitude but explained that when he began to plan the book, he decided not to go to the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith or to the American Jewish Committee for access to their "excellent" files on race hatred.

He said he wanted to write and published his book under circumstances which would make it plain that it was an independent effort, with neither aid nor endorsement from Jewish civic defense groups.

A few months after the Slawson speech in Chicago, Dr. S. Andhill Fineberg, head of the community relations division of the AJCommittee, said the McWilliams' book presented "an untrue thesis." Dr. Fineberg said he "regretted that Mr. McWilliams, who has made splendid contributions to combating intolerance against racial groups, had published such a selective and one-sided presentation of anti-Semitism," (NJP, April 30).

Subsequently, the ADL and the AJ Committee, in a joint memorandum, notified Jewish Community Relations Councils that "because of some exceptions we take to Mr. McWilliams' premise and conclusions, we do not contemplate promoting this book."

McWilliams told The Post that he regarded the joint memorandum as indicating opposition to his book. He described as "very misleading" the emphasis in the memorandum on the theme that his book stressed the economic roots of anti-Semitism.

There the matter rested until the MENORAH JOURNAL in its Spring, 1948 issue, published an article "The Red Kiss," by its managing editor, Allen Lesser, who flatly charged that the book spoke for radical economic change

as the only solution to anti-Semitism.

Lesser Makes Charges

Lesser said that the American Jewish Committee and the American Jewish Congress were following the Communist party line in hate-fighting and that their espousal of McWilliams book was in line with that strategy. (NJP July 16).

McWilliams sharply denied Lesser's charges, called the Lesser article "stupid" and said he was "appalled" that the MENORAH JOURNAL should publish it.

McWilliams elaborated on his refutation of Lesser's charges by citing key paragraphs from his book.

Here's What He Said

The pertinent section opens with a comment that race hatred has its roots in the swamps of insecurity and fear and that these swamps must be drained if anti-Semitism is ever to be eradicated.

Said McWilliams in his book: "This is a task of a large order which it is not my purpose to outline, even if I felt competent to do so. But it should be apparent from the preceding chapters that what the task involves is the creation of a society in which production is organized on some basis other than individual self-aggrandizement. Since most of the various forms of discrimination have long since been institutionalized in our society—part of the framework of society itself—their elimination will require important modification in the social structure. To eliminate discrimination, our acquisitive society must be brought under conscious democratic controls and must be made to serve a major purpose of all social organization—namely, to enlarge the areas in which cooperation rather than competition is the norm."

McWilliams readily agreed that this language admitted of wide interpretation but said he had not made the interpretations and pointed to the passage in which he indicated doubt of his competence to prescribe solutions.

"I'm not sure a socialist society would erase anti-Semitism, thought I think it would certainly weaken it," he told The Post, "but to say that I am advocating a Marxist solution is utter nonsense."

A Fuller Report

"Fundamentally I argue that there are many factors involved in anti-Semitism but that to understand it completely, it is necessary to distinguish between pri-



CAREY MCWILLIAMS



SLAWSON



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It's A Confused Situation

mary and secondary factors.

"There are many secondary factors but I regard the struggle in modern society for power, prestige and position as the primary factor in the persistence and power of anti-Semitism. This is not a Marxist theory and at least one proof is the fact that POLITICAL AFFAIRS, the Marxist publication, ripped my book to shreds," he said.

The next move by Jewish defense agencies was again made by the ADL and the AJCommittee. Dr. Fineberg, in a letter to The Post, said that Dr. Oscar Handlin, a Harvard University professor, had reviewed McWilliams' book in the AJCommittee publication, COMMENTARY.

Fineberg said that Dr. Handlin was "sharply critical of the manner in which Mr. McWilliams has taken a few simple truths and has considerably distorted them."

He said copies of the article, which he described as "attacking the economic determinists' interpretation of anti-Semitism" were being distributed free of charge by the AJCommittee.

McWilliams told The Post that any responsible critic had a right to criticize any book, including his.

"My book suggests that ma-

Editor Sees Fear of Left Totalitarianism

Communist Cause Has No Support From Jewish Thinkers, Says Cohen

National Jewish Post

CLEVELAND—The Communist cause cannot boast of any notable group of Jewish intellectuals, Elliot S. Cohen, editor of COMMENTARY magazine, said last week.

Cohen told a meeting of Jewish community and civic groups that the rank and file of influential Jewish writers and thinkers have abandoned the reform-through-revolution movement in favor of slower, more peaceful social reforms.

"The younger Jewish intellectuals of any standing are just as sensitive about the totalitarianism of the left as of the right," Cohen said. "They are practically unanimous in viewing Communism as destructive."

"Jews are still stimulated by the shock suffered by fascism and there is a great worry that fascism has a possibility of spreading in the western as well as the eastern world," he said.

"The seeds of fascism may be found in our modern industrial world," he said. "Certain psychological attitudes arising from industrialism may lead to fascism."

The Jewish thinkers' current attention to religious and similar problems was interpreted by Cohen as "not a question of religion but of a return of interest in a theological solution to intellectual problems, along with political ones."

for changes may be needed to eradicate anti-Semitism," he said. "I can understand how the well-placed leaders of the American Jewish Committee and the ADL might be annoyed with such a thesis but I don't think their treatment of my book belongs in the category of honest criticism."

He said that shortly after the Handlin review appeared, the ADL issued as one of its "Freedom Pamphlets," one entitled "Danger in Discord: Origins of Anti-Semitism," written by Dr. and Mary F. Handlin.

"That pamphlet is a point-by-point paraphrase of my book," McWilliams said, "and in some pages it follows it paragraph for paragraph. Is it surprising that I say I'm baffled?"

"It's astounding to be treated in such fashion by a Harvard University professor of Dr. Handlin's stature," McWilliams said.

He's Not Bitter

He emphasized that the development had not affected his personal relationships with Jewish organizations and Jewish leaders. He said he still had cordial relationships with the ADL, for example, for which he has performed various tasks at that agency's requests and that he ex-

pects to continue to do so.

Asked to comment on the implications of his book for the Zionist theory that the firm establishment of a Jewish State will mean the eventual disappearance of anti-Semitism, McWilliams said he doubted it.

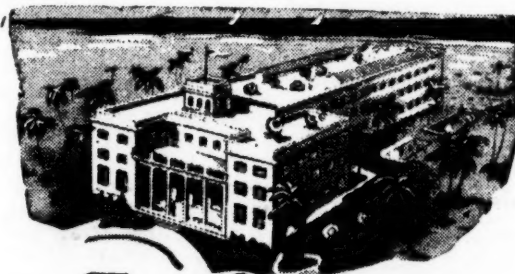
"I think Israel has aroused a new kind of sympathy for the Jew," he said. "Everywhere I go I find a majority opinion that favors full U.S. recognition for Israel and would like to see it succeed."

"The struggle of the Jews in their new state rings a bell for the average American. It reminds him of his country's fight for freedom. The battle of the Israeli seems to strike a deep and responsive note in the conscience of most Americans and of course that's all to the good."

But he said he did not feel that the emergence of a firmly-established Jewish State would affect the primary factors he believes makes for anti-Semitism.

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TEL AVIV, Israel—The proposed constitution for Israel, embodying the most liberal guarantee of personal freedom of any existing basic national law, makes no reference to Torah law or to socialism or to free enterprise, publication of the text disclosed this week.

The document draws on features of the United States, British and French systems for its structure. It will be the basis for deliberations by the first Constitutional Assembly which will follow the elections next Jan. 25.

The question of how far the new Jewish State will embody ancient Jewish law apparently is settled by the basic document. It provides for religious courts for Jews Moslems and Christians, but the jurisdiction of these courts is limited to matters of personal status and care of religious endowments and foundations.

The low status of women under Jewish law is removed entirely by the new constitution, which guarantees all basic rights to women equally with men.

The President, unlike the chief executive of the United States, is not elected by popular vote and his powers are nominal. The real chief executive is the prime minister, whose power rests on the strength of his political party in a coalition system of government.

The proposed constitution lays down a carefully-integrated list of guarantees of individual liberty. The death penalty is abolished, except for treason.

Among the provisions to protect personal liberty are these:

1. No discrimination of any kind will be made by the state between inhabitants on grounds of race, religion, language or sex.
2. The official language of the nation is Hebrew but adequate provisions will be made for Arabic-speaking citizens to learn and use their language.
3. The Jewish State will ensure the sanctity of human life and uphold the dignity of man. There will be no death penalty, torture, flogging or humiliating punishment. Police may not use "moral or physical violence" against prisoners and, evidence obtained by such means will not be admitted as court evidence.
4. The liberty of the person is inviolable and no one may be detained without a court order unless caught in the act of crime.

5. Preventive detention will be permitted only during a state of national emergency and in such cases "subject to continuous parliamentary control."

6. Any person arrested must be informed in writing within 24 hours of the charge against him. He must be brought up for trial within two days after arrest. The right of habeas corpus is part of the basic law.

7. No arrested person may be held incommunicado and no one can be deprived of liberty for a debt. Due process of law will be applied in all trials and no extraordinary courts will be established.

8. Only members of the armed forces on active duty will be subject to military tribunals.

9. No person can be convicted for a violation of law which was not a violation when it occurred. No law changes can have a retroactive effect to harm a defendant.

10. Anyone wrongfully arrested or punished by the state will have a claim for compensation against the state.

11. The home of the individual will be inviolable and cannot be entered without a search warrant. No censorship on private correspondence will be permitted. These rights shall not be suspended in wartime or in case of national emergency without a specific act of the legislature.

12. Freedom of conscience and the free exercise of all forms of worship is guaranteed to all.

13. Existing rights in respect to Holy Places and religious sites will not be denied or impaired. The liberty of access, visit and transit to all Holy Places will be guaranteed to all without distinction.

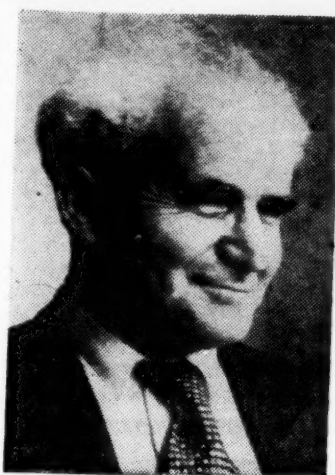
14. The Sabbath and the Jewish Holy Days "shall be days of rest and spiritual elevation and shall be recognized as such in the laws of the country. The Holy Days of other religious denominations shall equally be recognized as legal days of rest for the members of such denominations."

15. Freedom of speech and of opinion are guaranteed, except for expressions which are libelous, slanderous or "which are designed to stir up racial or religious hatred, or to incite to violence or crime, or which advocate the suppression of human rights, or of the democratic system of government, or which reveal secrets of national defense."

16. All citizens shall have the right, individually or in association with others, to petition any public authority, up to the president, for the redress of grievances or enactment of new laws.

The basic law concerning the

He'll Be Boss



David Ben-Gurion, now prime minister of the provisional Government of Israel, is expected to lead his party, the Mapai, to victory in the January elections. Under the proposed constitution for the Jewish State, he will be the chief executive and the real power in the forthcoming government.

economic structure of the new state describes a welfare state which one expert said was similar to "the New Deal at its best." Here are the significant clauses:

1. "The economic order of the State of Israel shall be based on the principles of social justice. Every citizen shall have an equitable share in the national income and a right to social security. The state shall encourage and aid every form of cooperative effort."

2. "Everyone has the right to work. The State of Israel shall endeavor to ensure to all its citizens without distinction a decent standard of living and a fair and equal opportunity of earning a livelihood."

3. "Legislation shall be enacted making provision for reasonable wages, working hours and conditions of work and for the provision of state insurance against the risks of accident, sickness, disablement, unemployment, old age and other causes of undeserved want."

4. The right of workers to form trade unions "and to strike in defense of their economic rights and interests is guaranteed by the Constitution."

5. "Legislation shall be provided for the establishment of a national health service, protection of motherhood and child life, the promotion of public and personal hygiene and the grant of state aid towards the construction of hygienic workers dwellings."

The Constitution specifically guarantees adequate facilities for primary and secondary education

ORTHODOX ISRAELI STAGE PROTEST
AGAINST IMPORT OF NON-KOSHER MEAT

TEL AVIV, Israel—(JTA)—Hundreds of Orthodox Jews demonstrated outside the offices of the State Council last week protesting the importation of non-kosher meat into Israel. It was believed to be the first such demonstration in Israel.

A representative of the demonstrators who was invited into the Council chambers to confer with the orthodox members of that body demanded the immediate enactment of legislation barring the import of any non-kosher meat into Israel.

for both Jews and Arabs "in their own language and cultural tradition."

Type of Legislature

The legislature will be a Chamber of Deputies. Voting age is 21. Twenty-five is the minimum for eligibility to be a candidate for the chamber. The chamber will be elected by equal, direct and universal suffrage. Voting shall be by secret ballot and on the basis of proportional representation. Electoral districts will be revised every three years.

Elections must be held within 60 days from the end of the term of the dissolution of the preceding chamber which must meet within one month of its election. It shall hold two sessions every year. The Chamber shall be elected for a period of four years but it may extend its term in case of war or national emergency but not for more than one additional term.

The customary parliamentary immunities apply for members of the Chamber. Proceedings of the Chamber must be held in public, except when two-thirds of members present ask for a private session.

An executive council will have the power to introduce legislation, though deputies may do so.

Eligibility For Office

Any citizen of 35, eligible to be a deputy, may be elected to the presidency. The president will be elected by the Chamber by secret ballot. His office will be for five years and he cannot be re-elected more than once.

Unlike the U.S. system, if an Israeli president dies or becomes incapacitated in office, an election must be held within one month to choose his successor.

That the president's powers will be nominal is indicated by a clause that "every act of the President shall be countersigned by the Prime Minister or a mem-

ber of the Executive Council."

Impeachment of President

The president will have the power to appoint the prime minister, after consultation with Israeli political parties. The president may be impeached by the Chamber but must be convicted by the Supreme Court.

The executive council, the real power in Israel, will be made up of the prime minister, the heads of the departments of states, and such ministers without portfolio "as may from time to time be appointed." All ministers must be members of the chamber of deputies.

The prime minister will be responsible for actual operation of the executive council.

The executive council is collectively responsible to the chamber and, very much like the French system, the executive council must resign when it cannot command majority support in the Chamber of Deputies. When the prime minister resigns all members of the executive council must do likewise.

Court System

The court system is based on a series, starting with magistrates courts, then district courts, and a high court with original and appellate jurisdiction in both criminal and civil cases.

The Supreme Court is the court of final appeal. The provision for religious courts is embodied in a clause providing for:

"Religious courts of the Jewish, Moslem and Christian communities exercising jurisdiction in matters of personal status and of religious foundations and endowments."

The judges, except for members of the religious courts, will be named by the president, with the help of the minister of justice. Religious court judges will be named by the president with the advice of the minister for religious affairs.

THREE GROUPS IN STRUGGLE
TO LEAD ARGENTINE JEWRY

BUENOS AIRES—(JTA)—Declaring for the first time that he was speaking on behalf of the entire Argentine Jewish community, Sucher Matrajt, president of the pro-Peronist Jewish group, "Organizacion Israelita Argentina," said in a radio broadcast here this week at the Jews here must be considered from the point of view of nationality as "Argentines, sons of Jews."

At the same time, he emphasized that Argentine Jews, despite their full acclimatization to this country's national life, cannot remain indifferent towards Jewish suffering in other countries. He, therefore, appealed to the Argentine Government to recognize the Jewish state, since he said, the persecuted Jews in Europe and the Jews in Israel need a state of their own.

The O. I. A. announced that it has no branches and urged Jews throughout the country to ignore a newly-formed group which proclaimed itself the "Jewish Peronist Propaganda Committee." This new group, headed by Samuel Smud, is now collecting signatures for a petition to President

Peron to secure Argentine recognition of Israel.

Dr. Cicardo Dubrovsky, president of the DAIA, central Jewish representative body, was honored here at a dinner tendered to him on the occasion of his appointment as professor at the University of Buenos Aires.

Rose Reports On
Hate Studies In Book

NEW YORK—"America Divided" by Arnold and Caroline Rose will be published by Knopf Jan. 11, it was announced this week. Rose has been making studies on the psychology and sociology of anti-Semitism under auspices of various groups. The new book is expected to include some of his findings, many of which have aroused considerable debate.

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Here's What UN General Assembly Accomplished At Paris

PARIS—The major achievements of the third regular session of the General Assembly of the United Nations concerning Palestine and other issues of significance to Jewry, were these:

(The session opened Sept. 21 and concluded Dec. 11).

1. Adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights which involved almost three years in the drafting by various UN bodies. The Declaration specifically defines the political, social, economic and other rights deemed essential for every individual. The declaration is envisaged as the first part of a

three part international bill of rights and embodies only general principles. It will be followed by a convention to define the rights in detail and to set means to make the declaration work.

2. Adopted a convention to outlaw genocide by its only unanimous vote of the session. The convention climaxed two years of work by various UN bodies. The convention is now open for signature and ratifications. It provides detailed and specific means to bring to justice individuals or responsible rulers who may be charged with committing or with trying to commit or inciting or in complicity in geno-

cide. The term is defined as the destruction of national, ethnical, racial or religious groups.

3. Established a relief program for Palestinian refugees made homeless by the Arab invasion of Palestine. The General Assembly voted to advance \$5,000,000 to get the program underway and authorized Secretary-General Trygve Lie to establish an organization to handle the relief program.

4. Set up a three-nation conciliation commission composed of the United States, France and Turkey to seek a permanent peace in the Holy Land but gave the commission no power whatever to impose any kind of a forced settlement.

JDC Takes Another Step In Bid To Win Support For Move Into N. Africa When Europe Job Is Done

National Jewish Post
NEW YORK—The Joint Distribution Committee took another step this week in its plans to win U. S. Jewish support for extending JDC work into the field of North African Jewish needs when the problems of European Jewry are met.

Edward M. M. Warburg, chairman of the giant agency, a constituent of the United Jewish Appeal, said that Europe's 1,000,000 Jews could achieve economic security within three years, "barring unforeseen circumstances."

At the same time he again called attention to the "deplorable conditions" among 1,000,000 Jews in North Africa and other Moslem countries.

He also disclosed that the JDC has a health and medical problem in the Moslem areas but stressed that more funds were needed.

The JDC recently called a Paris conference to discuss the next steps in the program of aiding European Jews. A large portion of that

conference was devoted to outlining the misery in which the 1,000,000 Jews in Moslem lands live.

Their plight has been dramatized in recent months by the Committee for the Forgotten Million, which recently staged a fund-raising campaign. This group is backed by some of the more orthodox elements in U. S. Jewry and has set up the beginnings of a network of education and welfare agencies in Moslem lands.

Without mentioning the Committee, Warburg said that "hundreds of thousands of Jewish men, women and children are living under conditions as miserable and wretched as any on the face of the earth."

He called attention to the fact that representatives of European DPs who attended the Paris conference had agreed that immediate help must be accorded to the Jews in the Moslem lands.

Since the end of the war, the JDC has provided \$250,000,000 in overseas aid programs. Warburg did not indicate whether any specific plans have yet been made by the JDC for aiding the North African Jews.



WARBURG

New Bid For U. S. Jewish Unity Planned At Meet

CJFWF To Act On Communal Confusion

National Jewish Post
NEW YORK—Most of the major areas of dissension and duplications in American Jewish communal life will come under the critical eye of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds at its 17th annual general assembly in Philadelphia next month.

Stanley C. Myers of Miami, CJFWF president, announced that the annual meeting of the organization, now riding high on the prestige of its successful efforts to mediate the breach in the United Palestine Appeal, will be held at the Bellevue-Stratford hotel January 14-17.

He said Jewish communal leaders from all parts of the U. S. and Canada will meet at the four-day convention to discuss all major aspects of Jewish affairs and take joint action to meet 1949 local, overseas and Israel needs "with maximum effectiveness."

Special significance was attached to the comment of Bernard Peplinsky of Cincinnati, the program chairman. He said the meeting will be a "working and action" affair where delegates will not only "listen and learn but take an active part in formulating programs of action for the coming year."

Go Beyond Discussion

He added that the 1949 Assembly "will go beyond discussions and analysis to reach conclusions and recommendations." He said "it will be in a real sense the national operating assembly of the Jewish community organizations."

The General Assembly, made up of delegates selected on a population basis by each of the 265 member agencies, is the governing and policy-making body of the CJFWF.

A report of the committee on national-local relationships on its negotiations with national agencies will open the convention, Peplinsky said.

A list of the topics to be dealt with in the report indicated that a hard-hitting analysis will be made of virtually all

phases of U. S. Jewish organized activity where overlapping and competitive struggles have cut into efficient operation.

Peplinsky said the report will deal with the question of the extent of community partnership in setting policies and administration of the United Jewish Appeal; progress in eliminating duplication in European migration work; coordinating refugee service in America; and the extent to which the National Community Relations Advisory Council has been successful in eliminating duplication among Jewish civic defense agencies.

He said that after the report, the delegates will discuss the issues and recommend specific action to the full Assembly in meeting problems.

Other problems to be considered by working groups at the convention include the controversial issues of new, miscellaneous campaigns; an evaluation of current budgeting techniques; guideposts to sound local capital funds planning and women in community service.

The constructive aspects of Jewish life will be considered at an Oneg Shabbat on "Who Will Build the American Jewish Culture of the Future?" A panel of experts will discuss evolving patterns of Jewish culture in America.

Temple's 75th Birthday

NEW YORK—Some 400 persons attended the 75th anniversary dinner this week of the Congregation Ohab Zedek. Messages of congratulation from President Truman and Gov. Dewey were read.

Israeli Objections Halt Czech Jewish Legion

PRAGUE—The formation of a Czech Jewish Legion to fight has been stopped because of objections from the Israeli Government, Jewish sources said this week.

David Ben-Gurion, Israel Prime Minister, reportedly insisted that the fighters come as Jews and not as members of a Czech unit.

Prison Term For Jewish Nazi Stooze

BUCHAREST—(JTA) — Leon Warsinger, former member of the Moghilev Judenerat—Jewish liaison body set up by the Nazis during the war between themselves and the Jewish communities they occupied—was sentenced to a six-year prison term by a Bucharest court on charges of having misused his authority while acting as liaison between the Rumanian Jews in the Moghilev ghetto and occupation authorities in Rumania.

Testimony offered in court against Warsinger proved that the defendant accepted money and jewelry ostensibly to arrange, through bribery, for the transfer of his fellow-Jews to an area where conditions were favorable for Jews, but pocketed the money instead.

Another Helping Hand

NEW YORK.—(JTA)—The U. S. Post Office Department has invited several members of the Israeli Post Office Department to come to this country for training in postal administration, it was revealed here this week at a reception tendered Zvi Prihar, Israel's Director General of Posts, Telephone, Telegraph and Radio, who will return shortly to Israel.

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I Think As I Please

AMERICAN ISRAEL COULD USE A SOLOMON FOR SUCH DEBATES

By CARL ALPERT

IN THE New York subways there is no opportunity for conversation. If you meet a friend you hardly have a chance to make yourself heard above the rumble of the trains. It isn't worth shouting. But on the Staten Island ferry, a thirty-minute run from Manhattan, all is quiet and peaceful. One can not only talk at peace; one can also hear, without eaves-dropping, the conversations of others.

Thus it was the other day that I heard two of my fellow passengers discussing a subject which seemed strangely out of place on the ferry. I don't know their names, but one looked as if he might be called Zalman, and so I shall call him Zalman. The other looked like a Morton.

I heard Morton's voice first.

"Well, Zalman," he said. "What do you think of our B'nai B'rith food campaign for Israel?"

Zalman seemed to snort. "What do you mean your food campaign. It's the Zionist Organization, our Z.O.A., which is running a food drive for Israel."

"Sure, I know you Zionists are doing it, too, but not like the B'nai B'rith—with efficiency—with publicity . . ."

"How do you like that!" Zalman broke in. "All of a sudden B'nai B'rith becomes a great friend of Zionism. Where have you been all these years when the Zionists were carrying the heavy burden?"

"We were never against Zionism, Zalman. Henry Monsky was a Zionist; you know that. We have our own B'nai B'rith Alfred M. Cohen colony in Palestine. We have given a lot of money to the Jewish National Fund. How can you ask us, where have we been?"

THE BOAT WHISTLE SHRILLED—and a tug beeped back in the strange language of the sea.

" . . . and now when everything is a success, you're ready to jump on the bandwagon," Zalman was saying. He was becoming indignant.

Morton was a diplomat. "Even if you are right—which I won't admit—but for the sake of argument, even if you're right, is that the way to welcome us? Even if we have been as wicked as you say, is that the way to receive us? All Jews should rejoice in the creation of the State of Israel. Let bygones be bygones, and let's work together in what is now a common interest."

"That's the trouble," Zalman answered. "Who can work together with you? The B'nai B'rith killed the American Jewish Conference, didn't it? You have such a superior air. Everything you do, you think you do better than anyone else—and what happens? Confusion and duplication. Like with the food for Israel campaign that both organizations are running now."

"Is it bad that we want to help Israel, too? Don't be selfish, Zalman. You can't monopolize Israel for yourself."

"NOBODY WANTS TO MONOPOLIZE IT. The other way around, the B'nai B'rith is now trying to give the impression that they are responsible for everything that has happened. I've seen some of your literature. You're trying to take the credit for everything that we Zionists have worked for all these years, while you just stood on the sidelines."

"Look, Zalman," Morton pleaded. "Nobody wants the credit. There's enough for everybody to do, and enough credit to go around. Besides, I sometimes wonder why we need a Zionist organization anyhow. Your job is about finished."

"Aha! So that's it! You're jealous of our membership, of our activities, of our program, of our educational work, and you'd like to get us out of the way. Well, let me tell you something, Mr. Morton B'nai B'rith. The Z. O. A. . ."

The whistle blew again—a long blast. The ferry was out in mid-channel. Off to the left the Brooklyn shore stood out clearly. I rose and walked to the other side of the boat to look at the Statue of Liberty.

Pro-Nazi Paper In Stockholm Folds

STOCKHOLM—(WNS) — The pro-Nazi paper, Dagesposten, will close down at the end of this month, it was reported here this week.

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They Need Your SOS Food

These are a typical sample of the children in European DP camps to whom your collections of foods in the SOS campaign are going. This picture was taken at the Neu Freiman Camp near Munich. The children suffer from a monotonous and starchy diet. The 3,000,000 cans of milk, fish, meats, fats, oils, fruits and cocoa that American Jewish women are collecting for them will make life much brighter at mealtime and give them sturdier bodies.

Jewish Paintings On U. S. Exhibit Tour

NEW YORK—An exhibit of 33 original oil paintings by Jewish artists is now being circulated to Jewish community centers and other interested groups by the National Jewish Welfare Board. Louis J. Cohen, chairman of the JWB Jewish center lecture bureau, said the showing was the first of a series of exhibits designed to promote interest in Jewish art and to stimulate local exhibits by Jewish artists.

Friend Of Veterans Dies In New York

NEW YORK—Emanuel Applebaum, a leader in aid to veterans and co-chairman of the Four Chaplains Memorial Fund, died here last week at the age of 50. A friend of President Truman, Applebaum, who was a Ford dealer, was co-chairman of a meeting at which the President spoke in 1945 on behalf of the Jewish Consumptive Relief Society of Denver.

Cleveland Girl Writes About Life As A Negev Nurse

"THOSE STORIES ABOUT ONE JEW BEATING 10 ARABS ARE TRUE!"

Ed. Note: Rabbi Moshe V. Goldblum of Mansfield, O., recently was given a letter received by a member of his B'nai Jacob congregation from a sister who is serving as a nurse in the Israel Negev. The girl, Ruth Levine, daughter of Mr. Phillip Levine of Cleveland, obviously is no party Zionist and is unconcerned with the political and international developments which brought her to a desert 5,000 miles from home. The Post is printing portions of the girl's letter because it regards it as a striking portrayal of the reactions of a typical, integrated American Jewish girl who has decided she has a duty to help in the struggle for freedom. The reactions are delightfully fresh and stimulating. The letter is dated from Bilu, Israel, Oct. 28, during the heat of the Negev campaign.

Dearest Aunt Rose and Daddy:

I imagine that you'd like to hear about what's been happening to me, so here goes. I last wrote during the holidays from Tel Aviv. Well, Yom Kippur day we visited the chief of the Army nurses corps of Israel and she said she would place us civilians in an Army hospital operating room. . . . They sent us the same day to Bilu field hospital which is the first receiving hospital on the Southern front.

The surgeons here speak very little English, only Hebrew and German, so you can see what a time we had at first. My Yiddish, such as it is, has been a wonderful asset and believe it or not I'm really getting on to Hebrew quite well and everyone here is convinced that I will soon speak it very fluently.

We arrived at a very appropriate time also, because very early the next morning the action really started and we didn't get much sleep for the next four days. They brought all the wounded from the Negev to us and there were plenty of the poor souls although the ultimate result was very much in our favor.

At our place we keep all that are in shock or that need immediate abdominal operations, and evacuate all others by ambulance further inland to Telavinsky or Balinsons hospitals.

We often went out to the airport with our ambulances to meet the planes with wounded and in that way we have made many friends out there amongst the air crew who are three-fourth Americans. Now they come out to Bilu by jeep almost every night to take us out to Rehovot (the nearest town) for coffee—very nice. . . .

Anyway as of four days ago, the road to the Negev through the enemy territory has been cleared and is now in our possession. Instead of the wounded coming in by planes, they can come by ambulance.

We are all very proud of our boys here. I don't know how much information our papers are giving you but you can believe this for sure: we're giving the Arabs and the Egyptians hell right and left.

The boys in the fighting forces here are just wonderful—they're so fine and brave and uncomplaining, they're really fighting with their hearts. When you hear stories like the one of 35 Jews fighting 400 Arabs with only two sten guns and a Bren, and the Bren wasn't working because it had sand in it, yet they not only beat the Arabs but captured FORTY of them! That's the honest-to-God truth!

The stories the air boys out at Telnof have been telling us about our air force and theirs is really a picnic. The Egyptians have just a very small excuse for an air force, so to speak, and though it causes us the inconvenience of blacking out at night, that's the worst of it. There is no such thing as precision bombing, they open the door of the plane and a man throws the bombs out!

One Egyptian plane got through somehow

and his target was this Telnof airport that I spoke of. Well, his aim was bad and the bombs landed quite near our hospital and got our power line.

You know, those are the first bombs I ever heard in my life and I hope the last.

I've wondered for quite a while how I would react to such a situation and now I know. After the first one I was so scared I couldn't stop shaking and then I realized that the patients who were in their beds were helpless. . . .

Jean (another American girl) and I went into the wards and shot the breeze with the boys and smoked and I never felt less concerned in my life. There were three bombs in all, with no hits, and with no danger of the same thing ever recurring which is the only reason I don't hesitate to tell you this story.

I want you to believe me when I tell you that I am in no danger whatsoever and that I can't remember when I've been quite so happy having so little. I can't thank God often enough for coming here to Israel.

Bilu itself is a wonderful little place. Nothing much to look at, the food is awful, and the facilities for toilet and water, etc., is poor but the people—the people are wonderful.

One experience that I had last week I must tell you about. We had worked all day and all evening when we got two badly wounded boys who had to be evacuated immediately to Telavinsky hospital which is about a two-hour ride by ambulance because roads are bad and they must drive slowly anyway because of the patients.

One of the boys had a bad skull fracture and the other had bullet wounds in his throat which made it necessary for them to do a tracheotomy (an incision into the trachea for breathing purposes) and this little hole had to be aspirated with a rubber syringe about every three minutes or the boy would choke to death.

This was about two a. m. and Ruthie gets elected for the job of going with the boys. So I go. The light in the ambulance wasn't working so I had to use a flashlight and work this apparatus at the same time, also trying to hit the hole in the boy's throat between ambulance bumps.

I'm sweating out keeping these two boys alive and also keeping my balance and the damn ambulance gets a flat tire out in the middle of nowhere at 3:30 a. m.

To top it all off, the driver couldn't speak English at all and so there was no one to talk to. I finally figured out that he wanted to walk for help so I let him go and an hour later he returned. I saw lights coming down the road so I flagged the car to a stop to find it's a Red Mogen Dovid ambulance with two empty stretchers and I was so happy I could have cried.

The driver came out to see about our tire and I heard two women passengers from his ambulance hollering at him to hurry up and not to bother with us. I got mad. I went over and gave it to this one woman good and proper. What did she mean she was in a hurry to get somewhere when two boys were in there dying and had to be gotten to a hospital in a hurry?

Then she tells me that she's nine months pregnant and in labor and that she is going to have it any minute! I almost fainted because I had "tzuris" enough with my two boys. If I had to deliver a baby yet, I don't know what I would have done because this one boy would have died in the meantime and I had no equipment. So to make a long story short, I sent her on immediately and we eventually got to the hospital, both boys alive and me half dead—I'll never forget that night.

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ROME (JTA)—With the departure for Israel this week of 328 Jewish refugees from Italian displaced persons camps, officials said the last mass migration of DPs living in Italy was completed. The DPs sailed on the Italian steamship Medex.



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Women's Viewpoint

N. Y. WOMEN START OWN DRIVE FOR DESTITUTE AFRICAN JEWS

By HELEN COHEN

ONE of our readers, Jean Silver of 995 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, feels that the women should know more about a new project which has been formed to help the "Forgotten Million," those Jews under Moslem rule. Explains Mrs. Silver:

During recent months, news reports and surveys of the terrible conditions under which one million Jews suffer in North Africa and the Middle East have been received with increasing alarm. A group of friends and myself who throughout recent years have worked ardently through many women's organizations for the reclamation of European Jewry and for the up-building of Israel decided that the problem of Levantine Jewry is paramount today.

We found that dozens of Jewish organizations were dedicated to the relief of the displaced persons and the support of Israel. We found that only one organization in this country has devoted itself exclusively to alleviating the suffering of Moslem Jewry, and that was the Committee for the Forgotten Million, Inc.

We made a study of the conditions of the "forgotten million." We were stunned by the vastness of their tragedy. And we were ashamed. We were ashamed at how callously we had ignored these destitute, uneducated, impoverished Jews who year after year lose thousands upon thousands of young lives through disease, pestilence and malnutrition.

We were ashamed because we sat idly by while 150,000 children roamed the streets of Morocco, Algiers and Tunisia hungry and in tatters, exposing themselves to the dread of trachoma, tuberculosis and pellagra. Why were not these children placed in schools, why were they not to receive the same care, affection and guidance which we gave to Jewish children elsewhere in the world?

THERE WAS SIMPLY NO ANSWER to explain our inexplicable neglect. We formed the Women's Division of the Committee for the Forgotten Million, Inc. We started an "adoption" project as our first effort to bring emergency relief to some 130,000 children (20,000 have already been taken off the streets and placed in the 115 schools and institutions maintained by the Committee throughout the Moslem world).

In a period of several months, we have already visited a good number of major women's organizations, sisterhoods, clubs, sororities, and local groups. The support has been heartening. Hundreds of women's groups—Zionist and non-Zionist, religious and non-religious—have pledged to aid us in our "adoption" program.

Each group and in many cases each chapter of a nationwide movement has taken upon itself to formally "adopt" from one to 100 children in the Levant. The group or chapter contributes \$100 as our first effort to bring emergency relief to some 130,000 children, clothing, medical and dental and hygienic care throughout the year for the "adopted" child.

IN RETURN, THE GROUP RECEIVES a photograph and a biography of the child and is encouraged to correspond and to send gifts to the child. I hope you will bring this before your readers, that you will stir them to join us in our campaign of saving Jewish lives by saving Jewish youth.

I shall be glad to answer any inquiries from Jewish women's organizations or individuals concerning our "adoption" program.

YOUR NAME

Conducted By
N. Pearlroth

Want to know what your name means? Address your question to Mr. Pearlroth, National Jewish Post.

Arthur L. Blumert, 415 West 7th St., Plainfield, N. J., writes:

I would like to know the origins of the name BLUMERT. This is my surname and I have very little knowledge about it. My father tells me that as far as he knows it has always been the family name. As closely as I can remember the place my father talks about is a section of old Poland near the German border. That was the place where his family lived.

Blumert is a metronymic, meaning that it has been fashioned from a woman's given name. The original feminine name was Blumhardt and its significance is "strong and flowering." A large number of Jewish surnames have their origin in feminine first names. The reason for such names was usually that the woman happened to be more outstanding than the man of the family. She may have been the breadwinner or a widow who raised her children without remarrying.

S. B. Possick of 4800 6th Ave., So., St. Pete, Fla., writes:

I would like to know the origin of my name.

Possick is a surname of geographical origin. It is based upon the little community of Posseck (population 610) which is situated on the very tip of Saxony where it borders on Bavaria and Czechoslovakia.

A wealthy Jewish banker once lent the Elector of Saxony 10 million dollars so that the latter could become King of Poland. As a result Saxony and Poland were ruled by the same dynasty for a hundred years. The grateful Elector permitted many Polish Jews to settle in Saxony. Eventually these settlers would take Saxon place names as their surname.

Hadassah Moves Fast

NEW YORK (JTA)—The sum of \$1,000,000 was cabled this week by Hadassah to the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem to meet emergency needs of orphaned Jewish children entering Israel.

What Foods These Morsels Be

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RATES for cooks for special dinners, according to a recent newspaper report, run between \$8 and \$10 a day. That should give you an idea of how much your services are worth. Of course, it isn't necessary to point out that anyone who pays \$10 a day for a cook wants something to show (eat) for it. Which leads us to a few suggestions for stuffings.

STUFFED MILTZ (SPLEEN)

1 beef spleen
2 tablespoons fat
kashe or bread stuffing
1 onion, sliced
1 cup hot water

Have veins removed from spleen, and a pocket cut in it. Prepare kashe according to directions in recipe for Kashe. Fill pocket with kashe (or with stuffing), and sew up. Heat fat in pan, add onion and let brown slightly, add spleen, and brown on all sides. Add hot water, cover pan, and let simmer two and a half hours or until tender. Preferably, slip a rack under spleen. Add more hot water if necessary.

STUFFED KISHKE

1 cup flour
¼ cup onions, chopped fine
¼ cup fat
¾ teaspoon salt
¾ teaspoon pepper
beef casings
3 onions, sliced
¼ cup fat

Blend together the flour, fat, chopped onions, salt and pepper. Clean casings thoroughly, and cut in 4-inch lengths. Tie one end of each length with thread like a sack, or sew, stuff lightly with flour mixture, allowing room for stuffing to expand during cooking, tie or sew other end. Place in roasting pan, add ¼ cup fat, add sliced onions, and let bake uncovered at 325 degrees until well browned. Baste frequently with fat in pan. Or, instead of baking in oven, let boil gently in water to cover for two hours or longer, then brown in hot fat in a frying pan. Or cook in pot with soup.

STUFFED HELZEL (CHICKEN NECK)

Prepare mixture for Stuffed Kishke, using ½ of the amount of each ingredient. Fill chicken neck lightly, allowing room for stuffing to expand during cooking, tie or sew ends, and scald in boiling water for a few moments. Scrape outside of neck clean. Cook with soup or roast.

Recipe of the Week

Here is a recipe for a "prune delight."

½ cup veg. shortening
½ cup sugar
1 egg
2½ cups flour
2½ tps. baking powder
½ tsp. salt
1 tsp. vanilla

Ingredients for filling, one and one-half pounds of pitted, cooked prunes, mashed; two tablespoons of lemon juice and one-half cup chopped walnuts.

Cream shortening with sugar, add egg, add dry ingredients. Blend until mixture is crumbling. Put two-thirds of mixture in bottom of 11x7 pyrex pan. Over this spread filling. Then sprinkle the remaining third of the mixture over the filling. Bake in moderate 350 oven for one hour.

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Radio Roundup

The Post will present here weekly a summary of nationally-broadcast radio programs of interest to Jewish listeners. No responsibility is assumed by The Post for last minute changes by radio networks.

SUNDAY, DEC. 19—Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn of Nassau County, L. I., in the third of a series, speaking on "Prescription for Peace," on "Message of Israel" ABC network, 10 a.m. EST.

SUNDAY, DEC. 19—"His Excellency of Vilna," by Irve Tunick, on "The Eternal Light" program, NBC network, 12:30 p.m. EST.

SUNDAY, DEC. 26—Jewish Theological Seminary's second appearance on the CBS television series "Lamp Unto My Feet," with "Celebration of Chanukah," over CBS-TV, 4:30 p.m. EST.

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\$350 In Prizes Set For Jewish Poetry

NEW YORK—The family of the late Harry Koyner, life-long Zionist and a business man whose hobby was poetry, has established three annual awards totaling \$350 for poems on a Jewish theme, it was announced this week.

The first awards will be made Nov. 1, 1949, for the year's best English poems on the "Israel Reborn" theme. Prizes will be \$200, \$100 and \$50. Judges will be Abraham M. Klein, Maurice Samuel and Dr. Trude Weiss-Rosmarin, editor of the JEWISH SPECTATOR, which is handling the contest.



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Friday, December 17, 1948

The Editor's Chair

I've been searching for something to say on Jewish Book Month. As far as I'm concerned it's been a big flop. There's been no imagination and ingenuity behind it for several years now, and it doesn't reach even one part of one per cent of the American Jewish community. But just to criticize is bad; although whoever is behind the celebration this year ought to get some help from some people with ideas.

Anyway I've finally come across an excellent piece by Rabbi David Polish of Chicago's Temple Mizpah which he wrote for his congregation's bulletin. I'm reprinting it in full:

"The other day I converted a young woman to Judaism. As a requirement for conversion, she had done considerable reading which included, among other things, Steinberg's 'Basic Judaism' and passages from Cohen's most recent book, 'Judaism, A Way of Life.'

"I wondered. Is it possible that this proselyte to Judaism might have read more Jewish literature in a few weeks than many Jews in years? This is a staggering thing to contemplate. It would often seem that one of the privileges of being born a Jew is exemption from Jewish learning or Jewish reading. This is a dangerous exemption. If we exploit it long enough, the length of our survival as a vibrant community in America is limited. The irony of this situation is heightened by the great output in recent years of magnificent Jewish books, and the general apathy of the Jewish community to these books. Starvation amidst plenty.

"During the Middle Ages, a traveler came upon a band of people who kept a Sefer Torah in a cave to prostrate themselves before the Torah. They hardly knew what it was. They could not read it. All they knew was that their ancestors who had been Jews, had bequeathed the scroll to them. What a deterioration they and their Torah had undergone. How it had become a superstition-riddled talisman, and nothing else.

"Such is not the heritage we want to leave to our children. We want to transmit to them a Judaism that lives and inspires, and makes life desirable. Such a Judaism is 'not in the heavens above nor in the earth beneath.' It is to be found in the pages of the Jewish book, near at hand to all who will reach out to it.

"It will be well for us to apply these thoughts to our own lives during Jewish Book Month."

I WOULD LIKE to repay at least one debt I owe to the rabbis of America; with your help. You may remember the editorial of some six months ago in which I made the point that the groundbreaking of the new synagogue of the Rabbi Stephen S. Wise Free Synagogue was more than an affair of concern and interest only to that congregation. Rabbi Wise has designed as much as anyone the American Jewish community of today; he has aided every Jewish movement and yet as never found time to build a

congregation over his own head.

But now that temple is being built, Rabbi Wise is 75. A report in the current issue of the Free Synagogue Bulletin says that \$204,814 of the \$400,000 needed to build the structure has been raised thus far. The astonishing thing about this report is not that 50 per cent of the funds are still needed, but that so modest a synagogue is being built in these days of high costs and in New York for the nation's leading rabbi.

Now I know that, among the readers of The Post are many people who have followed Rabbi Wise's career as a leading liberal of the United States and a fighter for the rights of all the down-trodden. Many of these people would like, I'm sure, to contribute in their own small or large way to this crowning accomplishment of Dr. Wise. So without asking anyone, which may be chutzpah on my part, I'd like to see a flow of checks come in to me which I can forward to Dr. Wise for his OWN temple.

There's been some exquisite work done in the past few years on original prayers for the modern synagogue. And not the least of these has been Rabbi Leon Kronish's, "Supplementary Services for Rosh Hashonah." I think this ranks with the best writing in the Reconstructionist Hagaddah. Rabbi Kronish's congregation has had the service printed in pamphlet form, 24 pages in all, and I'm sure they would be glad to send you one if you write to Temple Beth Shalom, 41st and Chase, Miami Beach, Fla.

HERE'S a suggestion from a leading Zionist for officers of two Zionist organizations for next year: Herman Weisman as president of the Zionist Organization of America and Harold Goldenberg as national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

DOWN IN ATLANTA last week, Rabbi Jacob Rothschild told me of an interesting sermon he delivered in connection with Chanukah last year, which bears repeating. He was answering the rationalization of those members of his congregation who decorated Christmas trees in their homes and then explained that it was not a religious, but merely a good American tradition. Rabbi Rothschild told his congregation that he took second place to no one in his Americanization, yet he believed that his congregation might raise its collective eyebrows if he, the rabbi, were to bring a Christmas tree into his own home for his two children.

New Road Joins Jerusalem To Coast

JERUSALEM.—(JTA) — Elaton was felt throughout Israel this week over the new link established between Jerusalem and the coastal plain of the Jewish state through the newly-built 25-mile road whose formal opening was marked in impressive ceremonies at which Premier David Ben Gurion, members of his cabinet and high military officials participated.

The road was named "Derech Hagvurah"—the Highway of Valor. Israeli aircraft, tanks and armored cars were displayed during the ceremony which included the dedication of a 40-foot obelisk honoring the memory of Israeli fighters who were killed in the battle for Jerusalem.

Judgment Day Is Drawing Nearer

THE formal announcement by the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds of its program for the next General Assembly, Jan. 14-17 in Philadelphia will make unpleasant reading for some of our national agencies.

Heretofore, the problems of duplication and waste in our national organizations, and of their insistence that their rights are divinely given, came at the tail end of the General Assembly. By that time, many delegates were glancing worriedly at the clock, or homeward bound.

But the program this year will open with a discussion of the "question of the extent of community partnership in setting policies and administration of the United Jewish Appeal, progress in eliminating duplication in European migration work, coordinating refugee service in America, and the extent to which the National Community Relations Advisory Council has been successful in eliminating duplication among civic-protective agencies."

That quotation just about summarizes the functional problems now disturbing the American Jewish community. It shows the extent and scope of the program of the CJFWF, and repeats—if only by implication—what has been said in these columns repeatedly—that there is duplication among our national agencies.

The CJFWF evidently means business.

Following the opening session, "delegates will gather in special working groups to con-

sider questions raised and to recommend specific action to the full Assembly."

That reference to "action" is another quotation from the announcement of the program for the forthcoming General Assembly. But the prize quotation is this one:

"It (the General Assembly) will be, in a real sense, the national operating Assembly of the Jewish community organizations."

Now that the American Jewish Conference is off the scene, the meaning of these words become obvious. The CJFWF has recently added the feather in its cap of resolving the difficulties within the United Palestine Appeal. Last year it gained representation for the local communities in the United Jewish Appeal. It also brought about a preliminary agreement on refugee work in the U. S. between United Service for New Americans and HIAS.

These are not inconsiderable achievements. If a score is made in one more direction—that of the NCRAC, the group charged with eliminating duplication and competition in the field of civic protective work—then the CJFWF will have achieved more in this past 12 months than has been accomplished in years and years of community organization.

Let's repeat the quotation, for emphasis:

"It will be, in a real sense, the national operating Assembly of the Jewish community organizations."

The Next ZOA Convention Will Be Hot (Also)

THE next convention of the Zionist Organization of America is already shaping up into one of the most interesting in years—if any convention can be more exciting than was the 1948 conclave in Pittsburgh.

The announcement by the Committee for Progressive Zionism, the group which caused all the furore in Pittsburgh last July, that it will present a complete slate of candidates for all the offices, will intensify the fight already beginning to be waged for the presidency of the ZOA.

Daniel Frisch has practically thrown his hat into the ring; and it is known that Mortimer May, a national vice president from Nashville, is the candidate of Dr. Neumann. Also men-

tioned in connection with the top office in the ZOA is Rabbi Irving Miller, like the other two, also a national vice president. With a fourth candidate definite, to be nominated by the CPZ, there will be no avoiding a hot contest.

All of this might seem like frivolity in view of the serious problems facing the ZOA, and for that matter, all Zionist organizations in the United States, brought about by the need of a new program, a new orientation, which will keep interest of U. S. Zionists at the same high pitch as that of the past few years. Yet it will be exactly by this kind of democratic process of presentation of platforms and open discussion and pre-convention debate, that a virile, substantial and effective program will be evolved.

Britain Buys Israeli Citrus Crop

THE short news item in last week's paper telling that Great Britain had negotiated a deal for the purchase of 75 per cent of the current citrus crop of Israel, explains Israel's objection to the boycott being urged strongly even today by some in the U. S.

Obviously the Israeli citrus crop has to be marketed somewhere if the economy of the nation is not to suffer. Great Britain happens to be the logical customer.

In this situation is a fine lesson.

Israel will have to make its own decisions. With the best intentions and with all the good will, it will still be impossible for U. S. Jewish groups or individuals to attempt to give the answers to the problems of the Israeli government and people. This is a lesson parents have to learn about their children, once they take off on their own, and it's a lesson the U. S. Zionist is learning too.

The J. D. C's 1949 Theme Song

JUST what the 1949 Appeal of the Joint Distribution Committee would be in view of the fact that the DP camps are already on the road to being emptied, and many a Jewish community in Western Europe is beginning to be self-supporting once again, seems to be wrapped in the news story in last week's NJP on the 1,000,000 Jews in North Africa.

Up until now these Jews have not warranted the scrutiny or the help of the American Jewish Community although their plight was as bad five or ten years ago as it is today. Since Hitlerism, these Jews could not have had priority, but still, there was no need to overlook

them altogether.

Not only is there abject poverty throughout the North African Jewish communities, not only have they been denied their rights by the authorities of the lands in which they lived, but in addition they have been victims of diseases so violent that it almost beggars description.

But now we are going to do something about them. Why? Probably because a competing group in the American Jewish community, the Committee for the Forgotten Million, headed by Rabbi William Z. Novick, has begun to raise money on the basis of this glaring need.

Current Comment

B'nai B'rith Cancels New Year's Eve Dance, Rabbi Samuel Rosinger Reports in The Temple Tidings, Beaumont, Tex.—I am highly gratified by the ready response of the Committee on Arrangements, to my appeal to cancel the contemplated New Year's Eve dance scheduled for Friday, December 31, under the sponsorship of the B'nai B'rith. Our Sabbath has none of the spirit of puritanic austerity, yet, on the other hand, its chaste joy is poles apart from the pagan saturnalia characteristic of New Year's Eve observance by the overwhelming majority of the Christian community.

On Rosh Hashonah we Jews set a noble example to mankind by the solemn and dignified manner in which we observe the turn of the year, and, surely, we cannot afford to turn, four

months later, into inebriate heathens and ape our neighbors in their boisterous revelry. The Sabbath Eve of Dec. 31 has a double significance this year. In addition to being holy unto the Lord, it is also "Shabbat Hanukah," commemorating the rededication of the Temple at Jerusalem, after the victorious Maccabees had cleansed it of pagan abominations and impurities.

Surely, such a day, fragrant with the spirit of holiness and freighted with storied memories, must not be sold for the mess of pottage of a Roman holiday. Let us bear in mind the sayings of our sages, "In the scale of religious values, the Sabbath equals the weight of the whole Torah" and "More than Israel has kept the Sabbath, has the Sabbath kept Israel."

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KOHLBERG CHALLENGES JEWISH VOTE THESIS IN N. Y. ELECTION RESULTS

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I was amazed, in a recent issue of The Post, to find the statement of Rabbi Samuel Adelman that "President Truman lost New York's 47 electoral votes by the Jewish vote which left the Democratic Party and voted for Mr. Wallace."

This statement is as untrue as it is dangerous. It is as bad as Jay Franklin's assertion in Life magazine, "Henry Wallace had lopped off the left-wing labor and Zionist big-city support that had given Roosevelt the edge in four victories."

Both gentlemen, innocently, are swallowing a fabrication. We shall note the origin of this fabrication later. But what are the facts?

New York City is the largest Jewish community in the world. The total vote for Truman was 1,597,101; and for Dewey, 1,108,054. Wallace received 423,424.

How about a typical Jewish district? Everyone admits that no district is more Jewish than the Washington Heights-Inwood area, which is the 15th assembly district. Here, Truman received 42,095, Dewey got 23,979 and Wallace polled 11,269. Every other "Jewish" district in New York City was carried by Truman, and Wallace received but a small minority of the votes. Dewey made a pretty respectable showing.

Why are mistaken views so prevalent about Wallace and the Jews? We wish the issue had never been raised, we wish no racial issue had been raised in this election, but it is a fact that the Communist Party raised it—and from the beginning.

The linking of Wallace and the

Jews is an accomplishment of Communist propaganda.

The Communists are the only party that have an official Jewish Section, which is a permanent fixture, functioning also between elections. Early this year, the "Party" made Jews a 1948 issue in its official pamphlet by Alexander Bittelman, called "To secure Jewish Rights." There, the statement is made, "An immediate central task is to promote among the Jewish masses the Wallace-For-President movement which is gaining momentum daily."

The Wallace convention in Philadelphia, largely dominated by veteran Communists, had a "Jewish Panel."

On September 26, the Progressive Party had a Greater New York Conference on Jewish Affairs with panels on "Israel," "Discrimination," etc., etc. Besides Lee Pressman, Leo Isaacson and other pro-Communist worthies, the Progressives even corralled a well-known and lone West Side rabbi to come there and encourage them. They went to all lengths to raise the Jewish issue.

But New York Jews, who are anti-Communist, obviously did not fall. After the election, the Daily Worker (Communist) complained against the Jews, and especially against the performance of "Three of the most progressive Jewish working class districts," which, I think, had existed only in The Worker's imagination. Also, Robert Thompson, New York State Communist Chairman, noted a falling off of the vote, reporting "the sharpest drop in the Negro and

Jewish areas."

The American Jewish League Against Communism, while understanding the disappointment of the Communist Party in the Jews—which the League hopes it helped to bring about—still deplores the entire introduction of the racial issue by the Communists. It also deplores the unjust criticism of the Jews by some of their friends who have swallowed Communist fabrication.

But realizing that this tactic of exploiting the grievances of the Jews and other minorities is a permanent strategy of the Communists, the League pledges itself to continue with renewed vigilance its fight against Communism, and its effort to place Americans of Jewish faith in their proper light before the world as citizens who divide politically as do Americans of other faiths.

ALFRED KOHLBERG

National Chairman

New York

NJP Correspondent Questions WNS Story

Editor, National Jewish Post:

The Post recently printed a World News Service report stating that the Chicago Daily NEWS had apologized for its series of articles on Israel. The articles had charged that the Israeli army was receiving supplies from Soviet Russia.

Closest thing to an apology by the NEWS has been the printing of letters to the editor protesting the articles. These included a letter which Rabbi Morton Berman was requested to write by the NEWS to give the Zionist viewpoint.

But WNS was incorrect in stating that there was a retraction. The Daily NEWS has denied that it issued an apology; Chicago Zionists do not claim to have seen one.

ASHER J. BIRNBAUM

Chicago

Poles Woo Jews

WARSAW (JTA)—The Polish Ministry of Art and Culture has promised the Jewish Central Committee a loan of 40,000 zloty—approximately \$133,000—to build a Jewish theater in Lodz, it was revealed here this week.

ENDORSES CAMDEN RABBI'S STAND ON CHANUKAH-CHRISTMAS DEBATE

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I heartily endorse the stand taken by Rabbi Harry Kellman of Camden on Chanukah-Christmas celebrations as reported in The National Jewish Post. He requested the children of his religious school not to take part in these religious activities sponsored by the public schools.

His position was perfectly in accord with a statement by the Executive Council of the Rabbinical Assembly which condemned such procedures and termed the practice of calling on Jewish children to partake in Christmas projects "an infringement of their rights as Americans."

What perplexed me was the argument advanced by Rabbi Weine, who suggested that a child with a Hebrew education will not be affected by Yule celebrations in public schools. Besides being out of line with the facts, this rationalization overlooks the larger question of division of church and state entirely.

As a teacher in the New York public school system pointed out in a recent article in the SYNA-

TRY POSITIVE PROGRAM, NOT KNOCKS, SAYS READER TO PROF. JANOWSKY

Editor, National Jewish Post:

In your issue of November 19, I note on the front page the striking headlines, "U. S. Jewish Life is Over—Organized Anarchy—Janowsky." I read and reread statements made by Prof. Oscar Janowsky as given at a conference of the Jewish Welfare Boards.

Prof. Janowsky's statements seem to follow a pattern of many other speakers—all outlining in detail what is wrong with every other group. It reminds one of many of the late political speeches... always ready to talk on and on about the shortcomings of the opposition and little or nothing in their own behalf. Why not just discuss the virtues of your own program, and plans for the future?

Prof. Janowsky seems well versed on what he thinks is wrong with the ZOA. True, no group is perfect. I do not believe the so-called conflict between the ZOA and the Council for Judaism threatens "the homogeneity of the American Jewish Community." There are Zionists almost everywhere—Council members are scarce (thank G-d), and I do not feel we Zionists are waging a tug-of-war with the Council—our fight has been with the British. We are about to win (much to the annoyance of the Council members). The Council will die out. So much has been written about anti-Semitism...

I fear Jewish anti-Semites (a la Council for Judaism) more than our non-Jewish enemies. To think the Council disapproved of a Jewish home in Palestine, but approved the Bernadotte Plan. To think Council members refused to contribute to the UJA in "fear" their money may reach Palestine instead of Europe. Even "good" Council members couldn't stand that and pulled out. Not many Jews agree with the Council. Unfortunately they are rich Jews—and money spells influence so often... too often.

Statistics show that more Jews proportionately vote than other religious groups (Catholics second etc.), proving we American Jews DO appreciate our American citizenship. Because I want

to help a Displaced Person in Europe find a permanent home in Palestine, does not make me a weaker American—it makes me a better one. I am cognizant of the fact I am fortunate to be a citizen of these United States and conduct myself accordingly. Council members know the American Frenchman loves France, the American Italian loves Italy, the Irishman has a love for Ireland, etc., but does anyone question their allegiance to the United States? Ask the average American Pole what he thinks of Poland and how much aid do they send to Poland. Needless to go into the arguments given the Council members time and again—they know all the answers—they don't listen to reasoning.

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The Editor's Chair

I've been searching for something to say on Jewish Book Month. As far as I'm concerned it's been a big flop. There's been no imagination and ingenuity behind it for several years now, and it doesn't reach even one part of one per cent of the American Jewish community. But just to criticize is bad; although whoever is behind the celebration this year ought to get some help from some people with ideas.

Anyway I've finally come across an excellent piece by Rabbi David Polish of Chicago's Temple Mizpah which he wrote for his congregation's bulletin. I'm reprinting it in full:

"The other day I converted a young woman to Judaism. As a requirement for conversion, she had done considerable reading which included, among other things, Steinberg's 'Basic Judaism' and passages from Cohon's most recent book, 'Judaism, A Way of Life.'

"I wondered, Is it possible that this proselyte to Judaism might have read more Jewish literature in a few weeks than many Jews in years? This is a staggering thing to contemplate. It would often seem that one of the privileges of being born a Jew is exemption from Jewish learning or Jewish reading. This is a dangerous exemption. If we exploit it long enough, the length of our survival as a vibrant community in America is limited. The irony of this situation is heightened by the great output in recent years of magnificent Jewish books, and the general apathy of the Jewish community to these books. Starvation amidst plenty.

"During the Middle Ages, a traveler came upon a band of people who kept a Sefer Torah in a cave to prostrate themselves before the Torah. They hardly knew what it was. They could not read it. All they knew was that their ancestors who had been Jews, had bequeathed the scroll to them. What a deterioration they and their Torah had undergone. How it had become a superstition-riddled talisman, and nothing else.

"Such is not the heritage we want to leave to our children. We want to transmit to them a Judaism that lives and inspires, and makes life desirable. Such a Judaism is 'not in the heavens above nor in the earth beneath.' It is to be found in the pages of the Jewish book, near at hand to all who will reach out to it.

"It will be well for us to apply these thoughts to our own lives during Jewish Book Month."

I WOULD LIKE to repay at least one debt I owe to the rabbis of America; with your help. You may remember the editorial of some six months ago in which I made the point that the groundbreaking of the new synagogue of the Rabbi Stephen S. Wise Free Synagogue was more than an affair of concern and interest only to that congregation. Rabbi Wise has designed as much as anyone the American Jewish community of today; he has aided every Jewish movement and yet has never found time to build a

congregation over his own head.

But now that temple is being built, Rabbi Wise is 75. A report in the current issue of the Free Synagogue Bulletin says that \$204,814 of the \$400,000 needed to build the structure has been raised thus far. The astonishing thing about this report is not that 50 per cent of the funds are still needed, but that so modest a synagogue is being built in these days of high costs and in New York for the nation's leading rabbi.

Now I know that among the readers of The Post are many people who have followed Rabbi Wise's career as a leading liberal of the United States and a fighter for the rights of all the downtrodden. Many of these people would like, I'm sure, to contribute in their own small or large way to this crowning accomplishment of Dr. Wise. So without asking anyone, which may be chutzpah on my part, I'd like to see a flow of checks come in to me which I can forward to Dr. Wise for his OWN temple.

There's been some exquisite work done in the past few years on original prayers for the modern synagogue. And not the least of these has been Rabbi Leon Kronish's, "Supplementary Services for Rosh Hashonah." I think this ranks with the best writing in the Reconstructionist Hagaddah. Rabbi Kronish's congregation has had the service printed in pamphlet form, 24 pages in all, and I'm sure they would be glad to send you one if you write to Temple Beth Shalom, 41st and Chase, Miami Beach, Fla.

HERE'S a suggestion from a leading Zionist for officers of two Zionist organizations for next year: Herman Weisman as president of the Zionist Organization of America and Harold Goldenberg as national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

DOWN IN ATLANTA last week, Rabbi Jacob Rothschild told me of an interesting sermon he delivered in connection with Chanukah last year, which bears repeating. He was answering the rationalization of those members of his congregation who decorated Christmas trees in their homes and then explained that it was not a religious, but merely a good American tradition. Rabbi Rothschild told his congregation that he took second place to no one in his Americanization, yet he believed that his congregation might raise its collective eyebrows if he, the rabbi, were to bring a Christmas tree into his own home for his two children.

New Road Joins Jerusalem To Coast

JERUSALEM.—(JTA) — Elation was felt throughout Israel this week over the new link established between Jerusalem and the coastal plain of the Jewish state through the newly-built 25-mile road whose formal opening was marked in impressive ceremonies at which Premier David Ben Gurion, members of his cabinet and high military officials participated.

The road was named "Derech Hagvurah"—the Highway of Valor. Israeli aircraft, tanks and armored cars were displayed during the ceremony which included the dedication of a 40-foot obelisk honoring the memory of Israeli fighters who were killed in the battle for Jerusalem.

Judgment Day Is Drawing Nearer

THE formal announcement by the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds of its program for the next General Assembly Jen. 14-17 in Philadelphia will make unpleasant reading for some of our national agencies.

Heretofore, the problems of duplication and waste in our national organizations, and of their insistence that their rights are divinely given, came at the tail end of the General Assembly. By that time, many delegates were glancing worriedly at the clock, or homeward bound.

But the program this year will open with a discussion of the "question of the extent of community partnership in setting policies and administration of the United Jewish Appeal, progress in eliminating duplication in European migration work, coordinating refugee service in America, and the extent to which the National Community Relations Advisory Council has been successful in eliminating duplication among civic-protective agencies."

That quotation just about summarizes the functional problems now disturbing the American Jewish community. It shows the extent and scope of the program of the CJFWF, and repeats—if only by implication—what has been said in these columns repeatedly—that there is duplication among our national agencies.

The CJFWF evidently means business.

Following the opening session, "delegates will gather in special working groups to con-

sider questions raised and to recommend specific action to the full Assembly."

That reference to "action" is another quotation from the announcement of the program for the forthcoming General Assembly. But the prize quotation is this one:

"It (the General Assembly) will be, in a real sense, the national operating Assembly of the Jewish community organizations."

Now that the American Jewish Conference is off the scene, the meaning of these words become obvious. The CJFWF has recently added the feather in its cap of resolving the difficulties within the United Palestine Appeal. Last year it gained representation for the local communities in the United Jewish Appeal. It also brought about a preliminary agreement on refugee work in the U. S. between United Service for New Americans and HIAS.

These are not inconsiderable achievements. If a score is made in one more direction—that of the NCRAC, the group charged with eliminating duplication and competition in the field of civic protective work—then the CJFWF will have achieved more in this past 12 months than has been accomplished in years and years of community organization.

Let's repeat the quotation, for emphasis:

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The Next ZOA Convention Will Be Hot (Also)

THE next convention of the Zionist Organization of America is already shaping up into one of the most interesting in years—if any convention can be more exciting than was the 1948 conclave in Pittsburgh.

The announcement by the Committee for Progressive Zionism, the group which caused all the furore in Pittsburgh last July, that it will present a complete slate of candidates for all the offices, will intensify the fight already beginning to be waged for the presidency of the ZOA.

Daniel Frisch has practically thrown his hat into the ring; and it is known that Mortimer May, a national vice president from Nashville, is the candidate of Dr. Neumann. Also men-

tioned in connection with the top office in the ZOA is Rabbi Irving Miller, like the other two, also a national vice president. With a fourth candidate definite, to be nominated by the CPZ, there will be no avoiding a hot contest.

All of this might seem like frivolity in view of the serious problems facing the ZOA, and for that matter, all Zionist organizations in the United States, brought about by the need of a new program, a new orientation, which will keep interest of U. S. Zionists at the same high pitch as that of the past few years. Yet it will be exactly by this kind of democratic process of presentation of platforms and open discussion and pre-convention debate, that a virile, substantial and effective program will be evolved.

Britain Buys Israeli Citrus Crop

THE short news item in last week's paper telling that Great Britain had negotiated a deal for the purchase of 75 per cent of the current citrus crop of Israel, explains Israel's objection to the boycott being urged strongly even today by some in the U. S.

Obviously the Israeli citrus crop has to be marketed somewhere if the economy of the nation is not to suffer. Great Britain happens to be the logical customer.

In this situation is a fine lesson.

Israel will have to make its own decisions. With the best intentions and with all the good will, it will still be impossible for U. S. Jewish groups or individuals to attempt to give the answers to the problems of the Israeli government and people. This is a lesson parents have to learn about their children, once they take off on their own, and it's a lesson the U. S. Zionist is learning too.

The J. D. C.'s 1949 Theme Song

JUST what the 1949 Appeal of the Joint Distribution Committee would be in view of the fact that the DP camps are already on the road to being emptied, and many a Jewish community in Western Europe is beginning to be self-supporting once again, seems to be wrapped in the news story in last week's NJP on the 1,000,000 Jews in North Africa.

Up until now these Jews have not warranted the scrutiny or the help of the American Jewish Community although their plight was as bad five or ten years ago as it is today. Since Hitlerism, these Jews could not have had priority, but still, there was no need to overlook

them altogether.

Not only is there abject poverty throughout the North African Jewish communities, not only have they been denied their rights by the authorities of the lands in which they lived, but in addition they have been victims of diseases so violent that it almost beggars description.

But now we are going to do something about them. Why? Probably because a competing group in the American Jewish community, the Committee for the Forgotten Million, headed by Rabbi William Z. Novick, has begun to raise money on the basis of this glaring need.

Current Comment

B'nai Brith Cancels New Year's Eve Dance, Rabbi Samuel Rosinger Reports in The Temple Tidings, Beaumont, Tex.—I am highly gratified by the ready response of the Committee on Arrangements, to my appeal to cancel the contemplated New Year's Eve dance scheduled for Friday, December 31, under the sponsorship of the B'nai Brith. Our Sabbath has none of the spirit of puritanic austerity, yet, on the other hand, its chaste joy is poles apart from the pagan saturnalia characteristic of New Year's Eve observance by the overwhelming majority of the Christian community.

On Rosh Hashonah we Jews set a noble example to mankind by the solemn and dignified manner in which we observe the turn of the year, and, surely, we cannot afford to turn, four

months later, into inebriate heathens and ape our neighbors in their boisterous revelry. The Sabbath Eve of Dec. 31 has a double significance this year. In addition to being holy unto the Lord, it is also "Shabbat Hanukah," commemorating the rededication of the Temple at Jerusalem, after the victorious Maccabees had cleansed it of pagan abominations and impurities.

Surely, such a day, fragrant with the spirit of holiness and freighted with storied memories, must not be sold for the mess of pottage of a Roman holiday. Let us bear in mind the sayings of our sages, "In the scale of religious values, the Sabbath equals the weight of the whole Torah" and "More than Israel has kept the Sabbath, has the Sabbath kept Israel."

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KOHLBERG CHALLENGES JEWISH VOTE THESIS IN N. Y. ELECTION RESULTS

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I was amazed, in a recent issue of The Post, to find the statement of Rabbi Samuel Adelman that "President Truman lost New York's 47 electoral votes by the Jewish vote which left the Democratic Party and voted for Mr. Wallace."

This statement is as untrue as it is dangerous. It is as bad as Jay Franklin's assertion in Life magazine, "Henry Wallace had lopped off the left-wing labor and Zionist big-city support that had given Roosevelt the edge in four victories."

Both gentlemen, innocently, are swallowing a fabrication. We shall note the origin of this fabrication later. But what are the facts?

New York City is the largest Jewish community in the world. The total vote for Truman was 1,597,101; and for Dewey, 1,108,054. Wallace received 423,424.

How about a typical Jewish district? Everyone admits that no district is more Jewish than the Washington Heights-Inwood area, which is the 15th assembly district. Here, Truman received 42,095, Dewey got 23,979 and Wallace polled 11,269. Every other "Jewish" district in New York City was carried by Truman, and Wallace received but a small minority of the votes. Dewey made a pretty respectable showing.

Why are mistaken views so prevalent about Wallace and the Jews? We wish the issue had never been raised, we wish no racial issue had been raised in this election, but it is a fact that the Communist Party raised it—and from the beginning.

The linking of Wallace and the

Jews is an accomplishment of Communist propaganda.

The Communists are the only party that have an official Jewish Section, which is a permanent fixture, functioning also between elections. Early this year, the "Party" made Jews a 1948 issue in its official pamphlet by Alexander Bittelman, called "To secure Jewish Rights." There, the statement is made, "An immediate central task is to promote among the Jewish masses the Wallace-For-President movement which is gaining momentum daily."

The Wallace convention in Philadelphia, largely dominated by veteran Communists, had a "Jewish Panel."

On September 26, the Progressive Party had a Greater New York Conference on Jewish Affairs with panels on "Israel," "Discrimination," etc., etc. Besides Lee Pressman, Leo Isaacson and other pro-Communist worthies, the Progressives even corralled a well-known and lone West Side rabbi to come there and encourage them. They went to all lengths to raise the Jewish issue.

But New York Jews, who are anti-Communist, obviously did not fall. After the election, the Daily Worker (Communist) complained against the Jews, and especially against the performance of "Three of the most progressive Jewish working class districts," which, I think, had existed only in The Worker's imagination. Also, Robert Thompson, New York State Communist Chairman, noted a falling off of the vote, reporting "the sharpest drop in the Negro and

Jewish areas."

The American Jewish League Against Communism, while understanding the disappointment of the Communist Party in the Jews—which the League hopes it helped to bring about—still deplores the entire introduction of the racial issue by the Communists. It also deplores the unjust criticism of the Jews by some of their friends who have swallowed Communist fabrication.

But realizing that this tactic of exploiting the grievances of the Jews and other minorities is a permanent strategy of the Communists, the League pledges itself to continue with renewed vigilance its fight against Communism, and its effort to place Americans of Jewish faith in their proper light before the world as citizens who divide politically as do Americans of other faiths.

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NJP Correspondent Questions WNS Story

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The Post recently printed a World News Service report stating that the Chicago Daily NEWS had apologized for its series of articles on Israel. The articles had charged that the Israeli army was receiving supplies from Soviet Russia.

Closest thing to an apology by the NEWS has been the printing of letters to the editor protesting the articles. These included a letter which Rabbi Morton Beriman was requested to write by the NEWS to give the Zionist viewpoint.

But WNS was incorrect in stating that there was a retraction. The Daily NEWS has denied that it issued an apology; Chicago Zionists do not claim to have seen one.

ASHER J. BIRNBAUM
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Poles Woo Jews

WARSAW (JTA)—The Polish Ministry of Art and Culture has promised the Jewish Central Committee a loan of 40,000 zloty—approximately \$133,000—to build a Jewish theater in Lodz, it was revealed here this week.

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I heartily endorse the stand taken by Rabbi Harry Kellman of Camden on Chanukah-Christmas celebrations as reported in The National Jewish Post. He requested the children of his religious school not to take part in these religious activities sponsored by the public schools.

His position was perfectly in accord with a statement by the Executive Council of the Rabbinical Assembly which condemned such procedures and termed the practice of calling on Jewish children to partake in Christmas projects "an infringement of their rights as Americans."

What perplexed me was the argument advanced by Rabbi Weine, who suggested that a child with a Hebrew education will not be affected by Yule celebrations in public schools. Besides being out of line with the facts, this rationalization overlooks the larger question of division of church and state entirely.

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Prof. Janowsky seems well versed on what he thinks is wrong with the ZOA. True, no group is perfect. I do not believe the so-called conflict between the ZOA and the Council for Judaism threatens "the homogeneity of the American Jewish Community." There are Zionists almost everywhere—Council members are scarce (thank G-d), and I do not feel we Zionists are waging a tug-of-war with the Council—our fight has been with the British. We are about to win (much to the annoyance of the Council members). The Council will die out. So much has been written about anti-Semitism...

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Saul Katz, president of the hospital group, said that a letter was sent to Isidore Sobeloff, Federation president, asking for the interest payment. The letter asked that the payment be made before the hospital association officials would start negotiations with Sobeloff, as the latter suggested.

Involved in the dispute were long-standing plans of the Federation to build a Detroit Jewish hospital. Katz said that his group was reluctant to join in the Federation hospital plans because the Federation has treated the group in a disdainful way.

Katz said that his group intends to force the Federation "to live up to its obligations." He said the association has \$50,000 in bonds and certificates held in trust by the Federation, with interest payable to the association.

Katz said his group is considering joining forces with the Mt. Sinai Hospital association in a project to build a small physical and mental hospital. More than \$100,000 more has been pledged for such a hospital, Katz said.

He said his group and the Mt. Sinai women originally made the plans for a Jewish hospital and that the two joined in the survey by experts on which the Federation has based its hospital plans.

He charged that despite this original effort, members of the two groups were not invited to participate in the planning of the hospital.

Economist Refutes Israel General Zionists

Nathan Says He's Fully Aware Of Left Orientation Of AMPAL

By PHIL LEVINE

LOUISVILLE—(NJP)—Economist Robert R. Nathan issued an emphatic denial this week to a report by the General Zionist party of Israel that he was unaware of the orientation of AMPAL.

In an exclusive statement to The Post, Nathan said, "I have always been aware that AMPAL is an organ of the cooperative institution in Israel."

The story from Israel appeared in the first issue of the General Zionists Bulletin and commented on Nathan's speech to an AMPAL meeting in Philadelphia last summer when he said there would be no socialism in Israel.

The Bulletin hinted that AMPAL officials had accidentally or otherwise kept from Nathan the information that AMPAL is controlled by Israel labor parties. (NJP Dec. 10).

Nathan told The Post that the statement was "not correct in fact or implications." He said he has always been aware of the orientation of AMPAL.

Clarifies Position

"In my numerous speeches made in behalf of AMPAL, questions have often been raised by members of the audience concerning the form of economic organization in Israel and the relationship between cooperative institutions, the government and private



ROBERT NATHAN

enterprises," Nathan said. "I have always said that in my judgement, Israel will have a mixed economy."

He said it also "has had and will have cooperative institutions and private enterprises. There is room for both types of organizations in the rapid development of Israel. It is my hope that the Government will encourage free enterprise as well as cooperatives because quired and maximum initiative." and maximum initiative."

"I am well aware of the tremendous role which has been played in the growth of Israel by the cooperative and also by individual businesses," he said. "Both are needed and should be encouraged."

NEW YORK

Jewish Nazi Hanged For Murdering Jews

WARSAW, — (JTA) — Isidore Silbiger, reputedly the most feared Jewish informer in a number of Nazi concentration camps during the war, was hanged this week in Bytom for his war crimes, it was reported here. The court trial established that he personally beat several Jews to death in the Boleslawiec concentration camp, most of whose inmates were Dutch Jews.

Churchill, Eden Ask British OK of Israel

LONDON — (WNS) — Winston Churchill, British wartime Prime Minister, and Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary in the Churchill Cabinet, demanded in speeches in the House of Commons this week that the British government recognize the new state of Israel.

"The government of Israel, which has been set up at Tel Aviv, should not be ignored and treated as though it did not exist," Churchill said. Britain, he declared, should end her "sulky boycott" of Israel immediately.

Temple In A Tent Gets Stronger Home

PHILADELPHIA — (NJP) — A new synagogue building will be built to replace a tent used by a congregation of ex-GIs in a suburban section of this city.

Edward Rosenwald is president of the newly-formed Overbrook Park Congregation which will build the synagogue on a site donated to the group.

The congregation used the tent for High Holy Day services.

NEW YORK — (NJP) — Two Jewish players will be included on the U. S. men's table tennis team which will make its third foreign trip early next year. They are Martin Weisman and Dick Miles, who is national singles champion.

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Jews In Sports

WHEN CAGE BOSS PODOLOFF WAS REALTOR FOR YALE U.

By HASKELL COHEN

SITTING in his office on the 18th floor of the Empire State Building, Maurice Podoloff, prexy of the Basketball Association of America loop and the American Hockey League, sometimes looks down on the peaceful East River which flows practically outside his door and muses of the day, many many years ago, when he landed on these shores and settled not too far away from his present office site. Of course, Podoloff doesn't exactly remember that day since he was only a babe of six months.

Pere Podoloff and brood settled on the East Side that day, many many years ago, and Podoloff smiles when he tells how his father was down to his last dime. The family reached the East with but a dime. Mrs. Podoloff bought a bread, soaked it in water and put it out to dry on the window sill. Maurice Podoloff has come a long way since that day and has never wanted for a piece of bread albeit he has had to work, and work hard at times to earn his keep.

Podoloff is a short stocky man with a rapid manner of speech. He talks in burst but very lucidly and often, in talking to Jewish people, reverts into the idiom of his parents and landsleit. He turns a neat Yiddish phrase and really has a flair for putting across a point with a Yiddish remark.



UNFORTUNATELY HIS BUSINESS DEALINGS, today, are with men attuned to sports, and who have long forgotten or never heard the "Mama Loschen" spoken. Evidently Mr. Podoloff was at ease when we interviewed him recently and therefore let loose with several choice phrases which we, too, have not heard uttered in years. It always surprises this corner to meet with a prominent Jewish personality who spouts Yiddish quite fluently.

The B.A.A. prexy is quite proud of his father's achievement in becoming a large realty dealer in New Haven, Conn. Now there is nothing uncommon about real estate people of Jewish extraction. We all know several successful realtors who turn over large estates every day in almost every large city in the country. But Pere Podoloff was quite different from most realtors. After finally settling in New Haven he was appointed to buy up land for Yale University. Hiring a Jew for that purpose created considerable talk in Connecticut and no doubt made many envious of the Jewish immigrant who had been selected for the job.

As a matter of record, when the senior Podoloff passed away and Maurice succeeded him in the position, the newcomer was bothered about the possible talk his position engendered. He took the matter up with a Mr. Moran, who was in charge of financial affairs for the institution. Moran set Podoloff at ease telling him, "You know I passed up people of my own faith, Catholics, and people of the faith of the school, Protestants, to have you, a Hebrew, appointed to handle real estate for Yale. I know you will continue the fine work of your late departed father."

MAURICE PODOLOFF IS QUITE PROUD of that brief tribute and today, out of Yale's real estate dealings, gets a kick in looking back on his work for that institution. Trained in Yale's undergraduate school and a graduate of the Law School, the B.A.A. prexy told us many of his experiences as purchaser of realty holdings for the school.

His happiest experience occurred in the days of the crash when he had to buy up a church, a priest's house, and the home of nuns in order to secure a choice site. At the time he was called to the home of the district Bishop in order to discuss details concerning the deal.

Podoloff smiles as he recalls how he worked out plans with the head of the church to buy up other property so that the local priest could continue to minister to his flock. The Bishop took a liking to the young lawyer and engaged him in conversation.

PODOLOFF HAS A SPLENDID STORY to tell concerning that meeting but unfortunately we have run out of space. The lawyer told the Bishop one of the real old "heimischer" tales that drew a hearty guffaw from that dignitary.

B.A.A. members are happy to have the New Haven legalite as their leader. He has developed his league into the finest professional basketball circuit in the land and runs the organization with a minimum of trouble. He still resides in New Haven and commutes the 150 miles five times a week, between that city and his New York Office. When he is not in the office he is flying from Boston to St. Louis and between stops to check on the progress of his two leagues.

Lawn Tennis association for 1948. Leonard Steiner of Brooklyn was ranked ninth in the list. Sidney Schwartz, also of Brooklyn, ranked 12th.

J. Gilbert Hall and Sidney Adelstein top the veterans doubles. The ratings will be submitted for approval at the annual meeting of the tennis organization here Jan. 15.

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HELLO Girls and Boys:

May I introduce myself? I am your story lady. In this corner each week you'll find a story. Sometimes it will be a true story; sometimes it will be an imaginary one, but always it will be a story that will give us both, you and me, things to think about. Now don't you think a good way to get acquainted would be to share the things we think about? Let's do it in this column. I'll tell you what the story made me think of, and after reading it you write and tell me what it made you think of. Perhaps your folks would like to read the stories too; we could all think together and share our thoughts in our "things to think about" column.

Thoughtfully yours,
DENA WENGER

TWO SONS AND THE SABBATH

It was late afternoon. Four-year-old Bobby, freshly scrubbed and brushed, was watching his mother as she busied herself in the kitchen.

"This is almost Shabbos; isn't it, mother?" he asked.

"Yes, Bobby, it's almost Shabbos. How did you know?"

"'Cause you look like Shabbos."

Bobby's young mother smiled. In just a few hours the beautiful strains of "lecho do dee likras kallah" would fill the synagogue and the sabbath bride would descend on the rays of the setting sun. Surely no one would agree with the highly imaginative Bobby that the sabbath had short brown hair, used bright lipstick and wore a blue pinafore.

"I look like shabbos, Bobby? Darling, doesn't mother always look like this?"

"No, mommy," Bobby stuck to his guns. "You look like Shabbos JUST on Shabbos. See?"

Young Bob's mother didn't "see" at all, so she probed further.

"What makes me look like Shabbos today, Bobby?"

"That pretty yellow apron. It's stiff and ruffley and you always wear it just on Shabbos."

Bobby's mother stooped to hug her alert little four year old. Now she recalled that she actually did choose to wear that particular organdy apron. There were two rather plain ones on top of it; ordinarily she would have taken the first one, but today she reached for the nicest one. Surely because tonight while wearing it she would be serving the festive sabbath dinner. Bobby had been right. Unconsciously she had donned the yellow apron late each Friday afternoon because it was her best and her gayest and as such it befitted the sabbath.

"I think the house smells like Shabbos, too," Bobby rambled on. "Freddy says the house looks like Shabbos. He says on Shabbos it always looks like we're going to eat in the dining room instead of the kitchen even before the table is set."

At the mention of eight-year-old Freddy, his mother turned an attentive ear to the splashing sounds which were coming from the other side of the closed bathroom door. By now she was certain that Fred had done away with any festive appearance the bathroom may have had.

"Hurry, Freddy, mother will have to straighten the bathroom again before the table is set, and it's almost time to light the candles."

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A very damp, but clean young man opened the door. "I have an idea, Mom." Fred could always be depended upon for an idea. "Bob and I will help. We'll set the table and you clean the bathroom."

"Thank you, Fred, but let's do it this way: you and your brother do the bathroom and I'll set the table."

"Aw, Mom," Freddy reproached his mother, "don't you think we know how to handle good dishes?"

On that question the boys' mother refused to commit herself. Still an offer of help, no matter how dubious its nature, couldn't be rudely disregarded. The boys were given permission to set the dining room table with just a slight word of caution to "please be careful."

Freddy by virtue of his seniority took command. "You take the candlesticks, Bob, because they can't break; I'll take Daddy's kiddush cup and the wine glasses. Now the silver bread tray and the challos . . ."

"I know, Fred," Bobby was indignant, "don't you think I know what Shabbos things to get? You get the yarmalkas and I'll get mommy's white silk scarf to put over her head when she lights the candles."

Listening to the two young boys, their mother suddenly realized that by her very attitude, by the very experience which she was unconsciously creating for them, her sons were learning to have a deep appreciation of their beautiful Jewish heritage.

Their's would be a treasure of memories no wealth could buy: a home that smelled like Shabbos, a dining room table set with a father's kiddush cup, and a mother in a yellow organdy apron who "looked like Shabbos."

Things To Think About

The story today is a true story. It's about two little boys I know, and it made me think what a wonderful special day the sabbath is. For all of us that day should be just a little different than all other days. I have many beautiful memories of my home on Shabbos when I was a little girl I'm sure there are some special things that you do in your home on the sabbath. Will you share them with us?

D. W.

DEAR Boys and Girls:

It is just a little to soon since our first letter to you last week to mention anything about the mail we have received from you. We hope that if you haven't written us yet, you'll sit down as soon as the Sabbath is over to jot us a few lines. Then, within the next few letters from us, we'll be able to thank you for corresponding with us.

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Today, we need your help badly. We have been very upset by a question that one of our friends asked us the other day. But let's begin from the beginning:

Our friend, whom we call Joshua, visited us last week. We began talking about the situation in Israel and the wonderful fight that our people is making for freedom. Somehow, very naturally, our conversation turned to the similar story of the fight for freedom made by our own Macabees many years ago. And since Chanukah is just two weeks off, we talked of that very glorious and happy holiday.

"You know," Joshua said, "I have always been puzzled by one thing about Chanukah."

"What's that, Josh?," we asked.

"Well, it seems that we perform the entire candle-lighting wrong." We were very surprised to hear this.

"How do you figure that?"

"Well, we light the candles on the Menorah to recall the miracle of the burning of the small cruse of oil in the Temple for eight days. But, the thing that has stumped me is the manner in which we kindle the lights."

"It seems to me, that there was more oil on the first day than on the eighth. Then, shouldn't we light the eight candles on the first night of Chanukah which give more light as did the cruse of oil that first night many years ago?"

"And then," he continued, "shouldn't we light one less candle each night of the festival until on the eighth night we would have only one candle lit, reminding us that there was just a wee bit of oil left in the Temple on that day?"

There's the question which our puzzled friend, Joshua, asked us last week. Do you think that his question is right? Or perhaps you can give him an interesting answer.

Anyway, we'd like to know what you think about it. Please help us answer Joshua soon by sending us your opinion.

Until next week,
Shalom

The Editors.

The first patient in the National Jewish hospital at Denver was a young Catholic girl.

Desecration Charges Formally Denied

Church Charges Against Israel Met By AJ Committee Program

National Jewish Post
NEW YORK—The American Jewish Committee this week stepped up its campaign to deal with the impact on U. S. public opinion of a series of charges that Israeli troops have desecrated church properties in the Holy Land.

The charges, largely from Catholic sources, were reviewed at the third annual meeting of the Joint defense Appeal in Cleveland last month. The JDA is the fund-raising arm of the AJCommittee and the anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Israel Accused

The Cleveland discussion centered on an article that appeared in the Catholic Universe Bulletin of Cleveland, which charged that Israel was destroying Christianity.

The item, which had been sanctioned by the papal nuncio in Cairo, charged the Israel Government with deliberately starving Arabs and firing on holy places in Israel.

Dr. Arndhil Fineberg, director of the Community Service department of the AJCommittee, said at the meeting that Judge Joseph M. Proskauer, AJCommittee president, telephoned Arthur Lourie, consul general for the Israeli Government in New York.

Proskauer said Lourie reported that an official confidential document prepared for the United Nations would be sent to Cleveland. Dr. Fineberg told the gathering that a cable would be sent from Lourie's office for an official denial. He said prominent Catholics would be invited to Israel to witness the situation firsthand. He said the event be handled on a national level.

It was believed that the decision to have the AJCommittee handled the task was made at that meeting.

On Nov. 24, Dr. Fineberg's department issued a memorandum of Jewish Community Relations Councils calling attention to the reports and saying that a number of Catholic newspapers have been

carrying such stories.

The memorandum suggested that the matter be taken up with Catholic editors and promised to provide material for such efforts.

The AJCommittee department last week distributed a copy of a release from the Mission of Israel in Washington to the Catholic press of the U. S.

Report Denies Charges

The Washington office of the Israel mission said that a report based on the observations of "disinterested persons and on statements made by Christian clergymen throughout Israel" had been completed.

"The report indicates without possible refutation that the stories which have been widely publicized during the past few months on 'desecrations of the Holy Places' are either totally unfounded or highly exaggerated," the statement said.

"The report, which is available for inspection records in detail the fact that as soon as order was established in a battle, some provision was made for the normal functioning of churches, and that with the exception of houses of worship abandoned by their pastors, religious services in both the Moslem and Christian churches have continued uninterrupted throughout the war," the statement said.

The statement admitted isolated transgressions but called "malicious" the charge that the Government of Israel seeks to expropriate church property. It quoted Catholic and other church officials in Palestine as praising the behavior of Israeli troops.

SOUTH AFRICAN JEWS BATTLE OVER PRO-GOV'T JEWISH GROUP

JOHANNESBURG, So. Africa—(JTA)—An exchange of opinions with regard to the newly-organized Jewish group to support the present Nationalist government was published this week in the Cape Times, at the invitation of the newspaper.

A. M. Melamet, secretary of the Cape branch of the South African Board of Jewish Deputies, emphasized that the attempt to organize Jewish support as such for the government would be a grave disservice to the Jewish community. Jews, he pointed out, participate in politics as citizens and not members of a Jewish group.

He said that the Board of Jewish Deputies had no connection with the group which is attempting to establish a separate political organization for Jews, and he deprecated this attempt.

J. Nossel, organizer of the new group, in his reply to Melamet, reiterated his intention to attempt to achieve "closer relations and better understanding between the Jews and Nationalists."

He thought his method would bring results and charged the Board with being partisan and unrepresentative.



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ABDULLAH MOVES CLOSER TO ARAB PALESTINE AND PEACE

JERUSALEM—The first real signs of a permanent peace in Palestine were seen this week in the bid of King Abdullah of Transjordan to annex Arab Palestine to his kingdom.

Against a rising chorus of opposition from all but one of the other Arab League states, the Transjordan Parliament approved a resolution for a plan to unite the two territories.

Abdullah was prepared to accept the Hashimite crown of the new kingdom of Transjordan and Arab Palestine regardless of consequences.

These consequences were listed this week by the Arab League as a possible holy war against Abdullah and expulsion of Transjordan from the League.

The Council of Ulemas at Cairo, highest spiritual authority in the Moslem world, issued a proclamation warning Abdullah that if he proclaimed himself Hashimite King, he would be violating his pledge to Allah.

King Farouk of Egypt sent a message to all Arab state chiefs except Abdullah saying that the action of Transjordan "did not represent the decisions of the Palestinian people."

Rift In League Widens

He was answered by Sheikh Khalil Jaabari, mayor of Hebron, who spoke on the Transjordan-controlled Rahmallah radio. The mayor rejected the warning of the Council of Ulemas and taunted Farouk with reminders that Egypt had lost every battle in Palestine against the Israeli.

Reports reaching Beirut, Lebanon, said that Abdullah was making plans for a larger Cabinet and preparing for parliamentary elections in Arab Palestine.

The only practical barriers to the annexation were the substantial Iraqi forces in central Arab Palestine. However, Iraq and Transjordan are both ruled by members of the Hashimite family, mortal enemies of the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, head of the short-lived Arab Palestine government at Gaza.

Simultaneously with Abdullah's reach for Arab Palestine, reports grew that he had reached a high point in peace negotiations with the Israeli. Officials of the Jewish State have always contended that only an agreement with a strong Arab leader would make a real peace possible.

The Transjordan Legion was the strongest military force in the Arab world when the fighting started last May 16. It is still the strongest because the Israeli have carefully avoided a real fight just as Abdullah has done everything to stay out of a major battle.

The Israeli have knocked out the Egyptian, Lebanese and Syrian armies, at once defeating their enemies and strengthening Abdullah's hand.

Zionist, Anti-Zionist Battle On In Hungary

BUCHAREST — (JTA) — Attacks carried out last week by members of the Jewish Democratic Committee against the offices of Zionist organizations have been followed by a violent anti-Zionist campaign, spurred by Unirea, organ of the Jewish Democratic Committee. The attacks were halted unofficially by government authorities.

In a front-page editorial, Unirea this week denounced Zionism as "bourgeois nationalism, which is diverting the Jewish workers from the fight against the exploiters." The article says that "every honest person should fight Zionism, which is the weapon of imperialism."

Egypt Fights In Negev; Takes Heavy Losses

TEL AVIV, Israel—Egypt made three bids this week to relieve pressure on a trapped pocket of its troops with attacks on a Negev settlement and was beaten off by the Israeli with heavy losses.

The losses turned out to be unnecessary. The Israeli agreed, under United Nations auspices, to permit withdrawal of Egyptian troops in the Faluja pocket by the Negev campaign in October.

In the first attack, using 14 medium size British-made tanks, the Egyptians lost five tanks. A secondary aim of the attack was to wreck water pipelines and Israeli Negev communications.

In the second attack on Nirim, the Egyptians lost more than 100 men wounded and killed when the Israeli sprang an ambush. A third attack on the Nirim with tanks and infantry also got nowhere.

UN Conciliation Body Ready To Seek Peace

PARIS—A three-national United Nations conciliation commission began the task this week of recovering from the wreckage what it could for the Arab states and for UN prestige.

The third General Assembly approved a plan from which all references to the Bernadotte plan, the partition decision and sanctions had been eliminated. Its duties were to seek means to find a permanent peace.

The vote set up the commission with headquarters in Jerusalem to succeed provisional mediator Ralph Bunche.

The upshot of the lengthy UN session was to leave the situation fluid and to give the United States as one member of the conciliation commission, a direct hand in peace talks.

The other two nations are France and Turkey, both of which have large Moslem elements to consider.

Senate Koch Report Due In Two Weeks

WASHINGTON—The Berlin crisis was believed this week to be a factor in the decision of a Senate subcommittee to hold no open hearings in the case of Frau Ilse Koch, Buchenwald sadist.

The Senate probes closed their hearing and indicated that a report on the case would be prepared in two weeks.

Republican Sen. Homer S. Ferguson, of Michigan, the subcommittee chairman, said that he felt the whole Koch case indicated room for improvement in army procedure. The woman's life sentence was reduced to four years and unless there is a change in the decision, she will go free next year.

Some members of the subcommittee indicated they preferred not to hold open hearings because they did not want to give the Russians a chance for propaganda or embraces Gen. Lucius D. Clay, U. S. commander in Germany. Clay approved the sentence reduction.

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LEONARD BERNSTEIN

Bernstein Calls Israel Nation of Musicians

National Jewish Post
BOSTON—Israel is a "nation of musicians" Leonard Bernstein said this week when he came here to conduct the Boston Symphony orchestra after two and a half months in Israel.

Bernstein said Israel was the most musical country he had ever visited. He said the Jewish State abounds in talented children.

"As you walk up and down the streets of Tel Aviv, you hear nothing but concertos," Bernstein said. He said the army is a musical one, too. With Jerusalem under fire from Arab guns, Bernstein one morning conducted the Israel Philharmonic and 2,500 soldiers were given leave of absence to attend.

Bias In Ontario Growing—Feinberg

TORONTO—Rabbi Abraham L. Feinberg of Holy Blossom Temple said this week that relations between Jews and non-Jews in Ontario had deteriorated in the past two years.

He told a conference of the central region of the Canadian Jewish Congress that trends during the past two years were "discouraging," especially in connection with summer resorts and in job applications.

He also said that the program of religious education in Canadian public schools had been misused by some teachers. He said some teachers apparently had been unable to resist using the program "to propagandize Christian doctrine among their Jewish students who do not leave classes during religious instruction."

Louisville Leader Dies At 75

LOUISVILLE—Joseph Selligman, for many years an active figure in Jewish communal life, died here this week at the age of 75.

A veteran Republican, he was a member of the law firm of Selligman and Greenbaum. He was a University of Louisville trustee at his death.

Digest Of The Yiddish Press

NEW UPA BOSS A DYNAMO; RATED TOP FUND-RAISER IN U. S.

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

HARRY L. Shapiro, the new UPA executive director, looks like an athlete, and is, in fact, a former professional football player. But he can "line up the bucks" as well as he once "bucked the lines." Son of a former Kovno yeshiva-bochur, Shapiro left his native Cincinnati to volunteer for the Army in World War I at the age of 16. He served in the air force, returned to be graduated from Ohio State University, and then served as YMHA physical instructor in Louisville. Following Jewish center jobs in Chattanooga and Perth Amboy, he became a regional director for JDC. Gradually, he became known as "the best fund-raiser in the country."

Tactful but dynamic, his talents will soon make the UPA forget about Henry Monitor, in the opinion of the DAY'S A. Kritchmar-Israeli.

Italian Priest Calls For War Against All Jews

Undisguised anti-semitism is reported (in a special JOURNAL dispatch) from the mouth of an Italian priest. "The Jews must be done away with," Father Ricardo Lombardi, of Rome, is alleged to have declared. "Today we are pitted against world Jewry, and must combat it, as did Hitler, Mussolini, the Mikado and the Pope."

Ricardo is said to be an influential personage, with a large pulpit and radio following. Jewish organizations have entered protests with the government and with the Vatican, says the JOURNAL, but to date, there has been no reply.

Times Have Indeed Changed For The Yehudim

Years ago the Yiddish press railed against Jacob Schiff and Henry Morgenthau, Sr. To describe those assimilated, condescending Jews interested primarily in philanthropy and opposed to Zionism, Yiddish writers coined the term "yahudim."

But how times have changed, comments L. S. Beely, in the AMERICAN. Today, Schiff's granddaughter, Dorothy Thackrey, owner of the New York Post, is one of the most fervent Zionists in the country.

And look what has happened to the son of the Ambassador to Turkey who refused to lift a finger of his potent hand to aid Zionism! Only last Simchas Torah, Henry Morgenthau, Jr. danced with a scroll, like an ordinary "Chasid" outside a Palestine shul!

Humphrey Tells How Mps Got A Tough FEPC Law

S. Regensberg, of the FORWARD, was given the first newspaper interview by Senator-Elect Hubert H. Humphrey, of Minnesota since his Nov. 2 victory. Regensberg wanted to know how Humphrey, as mayor of Minneapolis had succeeded in obtaining passage of a FEPC law in the city which Carey McWilliams

has called "the capital of American anti-semitism."

Humphrey proudly replied that it had been achieved through a process of civic education worked by a city-wide Council of Human Relations. Only three cities in the nation have such a law, but the one in Minneapolis "has teeth," boasted Humphrey.

Even the city police were given a thorough course in the handling of racial problems.

Humphrey confirmed his commitment to a New Deal type of program, and promised to push hard for the enactment of a better DP law to supersede the present "anti-semitic" bill. "With all my strength I will labor for full recognition of Israel," promised the man who forced the Democratic convention to espouse the civil rights program.

About The Man Who Licked Dems In N. Y.


In the teeth of the Truman victory, New York City's Democratic machine received one of the severest jolts in its history when, for the first time on record, a Republican won the office of Surrogate judge. George Frankenthaler is the name of the Galahad who upset Tammany Hall from this very influential post, which has a 14-year term and an annual salary of \$28,000.

Supported by most liberal elements in New York, Frankenthaler is known as a jurist of the highest integrity and ability. A devoted Jew, Frankenthaler received salutes from all editors of the Yiddish press.

Dutch Jew Cleared Of Pro-Nazi Deals

HAGUE—(WNS) — Frederick Weinreb, the Dutch orthodox Jew, whose arrest and subsequent imprisonment on charges of collaborating with the Nazis during the occupation became a cause celebre in this country, was freed this week.

Weinreb was accused of having collected money from Jews on the promise he would buy their freedom from the Nazis. Weinreb testified that he had turned the money over to the Nazis but that they double-crossed him. He was first arrested on the complaint of a Dutch collaborationist. Following his conviction, Jewish bodies here and throughout the world intervened on his behalf, claiming he was framed.



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